

# European Automakers Brake a Slide

# Drastic Steps Ahead: 'It's Now or Never'

By Tom Redburn International Herald Tribune

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PARIS — With recession deepening across the Continent and consumers retrenching amid a mood of gloom and doom, the European antomobile market is in its worst shape in decades. Yet, for all the misery being inflicted or Europe's biggest industry, the current crash could not have come at a more opportune

The auto industry downturn in Europe, which hit this year with a vengeance unanticipated by executives only a few months ago, is forcing manufacturers to undertake far more radical cost-cutting moves and productivity-enhancing reorganizations than previously dreame

Just-in-time. Analysts and industry officials said the crisis, by persuading unions and gov-ernments to go along with job losses they once

bitterly resisted, was giving Europe's car com-panies the best opportunity they were likely to have this decade to genuinely improve their competitiveness. And that, above all, is what they need to withstand the coming Japanese

Moreover, the European auto industry is taking advantage of the sudden collapse in sales to prod Brussels into a tougher bargaming stance with Tokyo over this year's quota limiting imports from Japan.

"It's now or never," said Karl E. Ludvigsen, a former Ford Motor Co. executive who runs Euromotor Reports Ltd., a London-based consulting firm. "Those auto companies that don't undertake the necessary actions now won't have another chance because they'll be ont of business. But I'm actually optimistic. Frankly, what is happening is that most of them are taking advantage of the fact that times are so

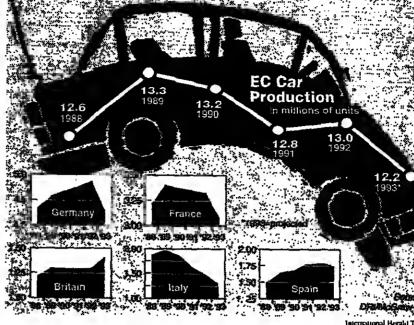
tough to get the approvals they never would have been able to extract otherwise." In the first two months of 1993, auto sales in

Emope fell more than 20 percent from the same period a year earlier. Industry projections, re-written almost daily, forecast a drop for the year from 1992's near-record of 13.4 million cars to as low as 12 million. Auto executives are candid about the situa

"Unless we stay competitive, there won't be any good jobs here," said Jacques Calvet, chair-man of Peugeot Citroën. "The mions understand there is no alternative to our policy.

The most devastating changes are coming in Germany. Volkswagen and Daimler-Benz have lagged far behind their rivals and now most race to catch up. VW's Wolfsburg factory complex, where about 60,000 employees labor today, needs to slash its gigantic work force in half to match Japanese standards. VW has already announced plans to reduce

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# China Issues 'A Threat of **Power Play** In Hong Kong

By Sheryl WuDunn New York Tumes Service

BELJING - China threatened Wednesday to set up a second power center in Hong Kong in the years before it takes over the territory in 1997, but the business community in Hong Kong was cheered that Beijing seemed to act with some restraint.

The stock market, which has resembled a roller coaster in the last few days, plummeted in the morning but recovered when it became clear that - for now at least - China is barking more than biting

Many executives in Hong Kong insist that the territory's real economy and mid- to longterm prospects are scarcely affected by the bitterness of the dispute between Britain and China over the territory's future. The property and stock markets may gyrate, they say, but Hong Kong will remain an attractive place to

do business. Paradoxically, for all of the name-calling from Beijing, the optimists say that Hong Kong's strongest selling point remains that it is he best launching pad for doing business with

"Businessmen ate continuing to do very well, based on the industrial base in China," said Ian A. Christie, director of the Hong Kong Cham-ber of Commerce in a phone interview from Hong Kong. "The fundamentals remain m-



# **EC Summons U.S. to Clarify Its Position in Trade Feud**

Washington Approach, 'Good Cop, Bad Cop,' Is Decried by Brussels

> By Tom Buerkle al Henald Tribune

BRUSSELS - Setting out the European genda for a series of crucial negotiations starting Thursday with the United States, Europe's chief trade official urged the Clinton administration Wednesday to stop playing good cop, bad cop and "clarify its trade policy."

The European Community's trade commissioner, Sir Leon Brittan, made his pointed comments on the eve of EC talks with President Bill Clinton, the first session in upcoming negotia-tions regarded as critical to preventing an all-out trade war. The tensions are fueled by trans-Atlantic disputes over aircraft subsidies, public contracts and steel.

Jacques Delors, the EC Commission president, is to meet Mr. Clinton on Thursday. The U.S. trade representative, Mickey Kantor, is to meet Sir Leon in Brussels on March 29.

Sir Leon said American statements in support of open trade, such as in Mr. Clinton's recent promise to "compete, not retreat" from the global trading system, have been undercut by action on specific issues. Sir Leon mentioned Mr. Kantor's cancellation of talks this week on public procurement and telecommunications and his threat of sanctions against EC companies. Such moves are "damaging pinpricks" that threaten to shake business confidence around the world, the EC commissioner said. "Sooner or later the United States is going to

have to clarify its trade policy," he said. In particular, Sir Leon said Europe would be seeking an unequivocal U.S. endorsement of the EC-U.S. agreement to reduce subsidies for

makers of civilian aircraft when negotiators hold consultations on the pact in Brussels at the end of this month. He said comments by President Clinton and other officials promising to get tougher toward Airbus had cast doubt on private assurances from Washington that the government would bonor the deal, which was struck under President George Bush last year.

Sir Leon said he had "serious concerns" on whether the United States was abiding by the agreement. A recent EC study found that indi-rect aid for U.S. aircraft makers might be exceeding a cap in the agreement of 3 percent of civil aviation revenues, he said,

Officials said they were concerned mainly about funding for aeronautical research from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, a Defense Department program reimrs for i

search and government aid for improving

Sir Leon held out little hope of staving off-

Mr. Kantor said last week that the United

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It is unclear how the threat Wednesday will affect Hong Kong's connony. In Fing, a senior Chinese official in charge of Hong Kong af-fairs, said Wednesday that China would be forced to set up a new government in 1997 and that in the meantime it would consider setting up an alternative power center to prepare for the transition.

He did not give details in his comments, which were televised throughout China and Hong Kong. Some people fear that China wants to set up a shadow government over the next year and to dismantle much of the government structure in 1997, a combination that could be a blow to confidence in Hong Kong. The latest poblical dispute escalated on Friday, when Governor Chris Pauen formally in-

troduced new legislation to broaden democracy in the territory. China has reacted with outrage, denouncing Mr. Patten but emphasizing that its. aim is to preserve prosperity and stability in Hong Kong.

At his press conference in Beijing, Mr. Lu called Mr. Patten "a man to be condemned See COLONY, Page 6

#### the Community was not likely to retaliate im-mediately and said an EC proposal for a joint **U.S. Tries 'Backdoor' Talks to Ease North Korea Crisis** study of the markets in those areas could defuse the dispute.

#### By T.R. Reid ington Past Service

SEOUL — Diplomats from the United States and North Korea began "back channel" diplomatic talks in Beijing on Wednesday seek-ing to resolve the crisis resulting from North Korea's withdrawal from the global nuclear inspection agreement.

Reports from Beijing said further meetings may be held next week, with the United States hoping to persuade the Pyongyang government to reverse its decision of Friday to withdraw from the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty. If the North were to reverse its position, international investigators would presumably be able

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to enter North Korea again to inspect its nuclear laboratories.

North Korea has acknowledged that its nu-clear-power research complex has produced plutonium, the crucial material for making bydrogen bombs. The CIA has warned that Pyongyang has built, or is close to building, nuclear weapons. North Korea says its plutoni um research is for civilian energy generation.

[In Washington, a leading House Democrat said a limited military strike against North Korea's nuclear sites may be necessary, even if it means a wider war. The Associated Press reported.

["There's no question we would have to be

prepared to go to war, but it's that important to me," said Representative John P. Murtha, Democrat of Pennsylvania, ehairman of the House Appropriations subcommittee on defense.

[Mr. Murtha said that if Pyongyang did not reverse its decision to withdraw from the treaty, the United States should seek international backing, particularly from China and Russia, for attacking any Korean nuclear installation and "knocking it out, obviously using smart wcapons."]

After North Korea's announcement on Friday that it would withdraw from the nonproliferation treaty, and thus prohibit nuclear inspec-

tors from entering the country, both North and South Korea announced heightened military alerts and engaged in angry rhetoric.

Meanwhile, however, according to officials here, both the United States and South Korea sought help from the government of China, the closest thing there is to an ally of the North Korean leader, Kim Il Sung, The Chinese evidently pushed hard on North Korea to start talking quietly about the crisis and possible solutions.

Although the United States and North Korea have never formally recognized each other, their diplomats have been bolding "back chan-

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States "almost certainly" would bar European companies from about \$50 million worth of contracts in those areas. The United States is protesting Europe's refusal to abandon a recent policy of giving a 3 percent price preference to European bids in procurement contracts. Europe claims U.S. laws give even greater preferences to American companies in procurement hids.

Sir Leon said he would be "very surprised" if Washington did not go ahead with the sanctions on Monday as it has warned. Asked if retaliation was likely before his meeting with Mr. Kantor the following week, he added, "We won't rush into anything."

## Helen Hayes, 92, **U.S. Theater Doyenne**, Dies

By Bart Barnes Windungton Post Service

Helen Hayes, 92 the legendary first lady of American theater, whose grace, charm and class won the hearts of millions and made her one of the most enduring institutions of the 20th cenmry stage, died of congestive heart failure-Wednesday in a Nyack, New York, hospital. Miss Hayes, who lived in Nyack, a suburb of New York, had been hospitalized last week, a ospital spokesman said.

In an acting career that spanned eight decades, she played more than 70 major roles in the live theater, and dozens on television and in motion pictures.

She began as a child, then as a young woman became the wistful ingenue. Later she was a leading lady and finally the player of character

Arguably her most brilliant performance was that of Queen Victoria in the Gilbert Miller production of Laurence Housman's "Victoria Regina," which ran for 123 weeks on Broadway beginning in 1935, then toured the United States for another two years. Brooks Atkinson of The New York Times said she was "uemendously magnificent" in the role. Noël Coward saw the play and called Miss Hayes "the great-

onna.

est living actress." She won two Academy Awards for her motion picture performances, one as best actress in 1931 when she played a young woman who takes to the streets to support an illegitimate child in "The Sin of Madelon Claudet," and one in 1970 as best supporting actress for her role as the grandmotherly airplane stowaway. Ada Quonsett, in "Aisport."

But she always preferred live acting to the cinema. The public saw her as the quintessenthal Broadway player and a symbol of theatrical professionalism. "I don't think I'm much good See HAVES. Page 3



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Miss Hayes "never chose to be an actress."

## **Clinton Is Up, Kohl Down Germans Crave Youthful Decisiveness**

By Craig R. Whitney New York Times Service

BONN - For most of Western Europe, 1993 - the year the EC was finally supposed to come into its own as the world's largest freetrade market - has started off badly, with a dispiriting recession, a spate of scandals and the most serious loss of self-confidence in 20

The contrast with the apparent American rejuvenation brought about by President Bill Clinton has struck many European politicians and commentators, who see in him traits that they do not see in their own leaders; boldness, decisiveness, most of all an ability to solve problems that have stumped everybody else. Although success is by no means assured Mr. Clinton, leaders in the European Community say they have been impressed by the way he has shaped the debate on his deficit-reduction plan, mobilizing support across the political spec-

trum

#### If Mr. Clinton succeeds in even a few of his endeavors, André Fontaine wrote in Le Monde, Europeans would do well to emulate "the amazing shot in the arm he is giving to the United States and, at the same time, to democracy." The contrast between the public images of

Mr. Clinton and Chancellor Heimut Kohl of Germany could not be greater, and not just because the president is 46 and the chancellor is nearly 63. What is most telling to the Germans is the difference in the ways the two men have shaped debate in each country over the need to sacrifice.

The view in Germany is that Mr. Clinton asked almost all Americans above the poverty line to make sacrifices to reduce the soaring budget deficit and got a favorable reception because the requests seemed fair.

Mr. Kohl also asked for national sacrifice, to pay the unexpectedly overwhelming costs of

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**Blast at Khamenei's Home Reported** 

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PARIS (AP) - Iranian dissidents said that about 20 people were killed Wednesday in a powerful explosion at the Tehran resi-dence of the Iranian spiritual leader, Ayatollah Sayed Ali Khamenei.

The report said the avatoliah was wounded and may have been killed. In Tehran, independent sources said they knew nothing of an explosion. The report of the hlast, which came in a statement from the office

near Paris of the exiled former president, Abol-Hassan Banisadr, said that as many as 20 people died and that the blast occurred between 2 P.M. and 3 P.M.

Ayatollah Khamenei is Iran's supreme leader and was the successor to the late Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomenei, who led the revolution that overthrew the shah of Iran in 1979. He is also commander of the armed forces.

U.S. Can Expel Radical Cleric Dow Jones Down NEWARK, New Jersey Sheikh Omar Abdel (Combined Dispatches) -Rahman went before the

An extremist Muslim clerjudge at a January hearing requested by the Immigraic who preaches at a tion and Naturalization mosque where two suspects in the World Trade Service, which said he had Center bombing have wornot disclosed in 1991 that shiped can be deported from the United States, a ne is a polygamist and that he was convicted of falsifying a check in Egypt in 1987. (AP. Reuters) U.S. Immigration judge (AP. Reuters)

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Elite French Army Squad Aflutter as It Assumes Civilian Plumage

#### By Barry James International Renald Tribune

PARIS - Breaking a military tradition that began early this century, France's 3 million racing pigeons are about to

become civilians. If a Senate bill becomes law as expected in coming weeks, nigeon racers and breeders will be relieved of the obligation to register with the Ministry of the Interior.

Thus the bird to which war memorials have been dedicated -- in Brussels, a statue honors the "soldier pigeon," while a similar monument exists in Lille -- seems to be going the way of the cavalry horse.

For nostalgia's sake, the French Army still has one opera-tional pigeon detachment, at the Mont Valerien fort west of Paris

But there is not much call for a pigeon post in the age of the satellite. Sergeant Marc Pessel, the unit'a commander at

the 8th Communications Regiment, acknowledges that his one of France's most popular, although lesser-known, sent Olympic Games results via carrier pigeon. King Solotiny Papageno patrol of feathered conscripts exists mainly for its public relations value.

Sergeant Pessel, who acquired his first pigeon at the age of 7 and who clearly esteems the birds, is a round peg in a round hole. Fondling a scrawny infant bird, he spoke to a reporter recently at his command post, as dozens of pigeons cooed and pecked grain in their lockerlike homes, or splashed outside in their morning bath.

If it were not for the view across the Allied cemetery at Surcanes toward the Eiffel Tower, this could have been anywhere in rural France, where pigeon racing is taken seriously indeed.

Sergeant Pessel was cheerfully preparing for the racing eason that begins in a couple of weeks, hoping that one of his 100 birds would bring glory to the army. Within a sixmonth period, there will be some 57,000 races, making this SDORTS.

Most of the nearly 30,000 pigeon racers in France live in the area around Paris or in the Nord/Pas-de-Calais region, which is contiguous with another area of fanatic pigeon fanciers, Belgium.

ruled.

Legend has it that carrier pigeons were first brought to France with the army of Julius Caesar. For hundreds of years they were monopolized by the nobility and the clergy, and it was the French Revolution that made it possible for anyone to own them.

Not to be confused with bumble city pigcons, the aristocratic homing birds can letch phenomenal prices. Last year, a Japanese buyer paid 850,000 francs (about \$150,000) for a 2-year-old champion called Play Boy.

Pigeons have been used to carry messages since the heyday of the Persian Empire 3,000 years ago. The Greeks

mon employed them, and so did the Crusaders.

Pigeondom's finest hour was at the Battle of Verdun, in 1916. Outgunned French defenders sent their last pigeon appealing for assistance. The bird flew through poison gas back to base, earning an official citation for bravery.

Because pigeons proved such reliable communicators in World War L the present system of registration was adopted and a nationwide association was formed.

"The law now before the Senate will make the paperwork little less onerous," said Armand Rault, president of the 21st Columbophile region, which surrounds Paris. The national pigeon federation is organized into regions that coincide with the military regions.

Mr. Rault said the change in law would put control of the See PIGEONS, Page 6

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# **Turkish Kurd Chief Declares Cease-Fire Offer Follows Recent Reverses** On Battlefield With Ankara

leader of the outlawed Marxisi lateral cease-fire in the group's bat- pressure.

fire would take effect Saturday and last until April 15.

"This cease-fire will be a test period." he said. "which I bope. will allow the start of political ne-gotiations with the Turkish state." We want to renounce violence and open the way to a new era of peace between the Kurdisb and Turkish people." Mr. Ocalan said. "For now we do not want separa-tion from Turkey with which we have economic and historical use."

fat The Turkish prime minister, Su-leyman Demirel, has rejected any bargaining with the party, saying previously. "The state cannot barίhε gain with those who spill blood."

Interior Minister Ismet Sezgin pea mc urged Mr. Ocalan to surrender to security forces. Dc ihr 6-3 Since 1984, the Kurdistan Workers' Party has been waging a guer-rilla war for Kurdish self-rule in southeast Turkey, home for about half of the area's 25 million Kurds. About 6,000 people in Turkey have har been killed in the conflict and 2,000 party guerrillas have been killed in

Compiled in Our Stuff From Depatcher BAR ELIAS. Lebanon — The guerrillas in a major campaign be-gun in October, and the guerrillas Kurdistan Workers' Party in Tur-key announced Wednesday a uni-and fran last year under Turkisb

tle for a separate sinte. The party leader, Abdullah Oca-Turkisb forces led a full-scale air tan, said at a press conference here in the eastern Bekaa that the cease-stan Workers Party guerrillas in stan Workers Party guerrillas in southeast Turkey and in northern Iraq. The Turks were backed by Iraqi Kurdisb guerrillas, wbo fought a monthlong war last year to prevent the Turkish Kurds from using their territory to stage raids into Turkey. The autonomous Iraqi

Kurds raise most of their revenue from taxing trucks crossing the Turkish border. "We are prepared for the peace process," Mr. Ocalan said in an interview. "We will sit to the negouating table on a basis of democracy, human rights and legitimate political action. We want in become a

legitimized political party." He denied that the 10,000-member party was a terrorist group, saying, "We took up arms in selfdefense against the terrorism of the Turkish state against the Kurdish people.

Addressing the Turkish govern-ment. Mr. Ocalan said: "Both Kurds and Turks are tired of bloodletting. Permit me in return unarmed to Kurdistan in peace to northern Iraq. Mr. Ocalan's offer came after dialogue between us." (AFP, AP)

Islamic state.

police demands to surrender, the police stormed the two buildings. Senior police offi-cials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said some of the officers were hurt by bombs hurled by the extremists and others were

Militants from Assiut, a hotbed of anti-

government sentiment for years, have been blamed for many attacks on the police, Chris-tians and tourists during the last 15 months.

The U.S. government warned Americans in lanuary that the area should be avoided.

Blood soaked the ground outside a bullet-

pocked building where the leader, Ahmed

Zaki, and four other militants barricaded

**Shevardnadze** Appeals

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Enforce Flight Ban, Mediators Urge UN

resumed Wednesday, the mediaspei frov enforce the "no-fly" zone following an aerial bombing raid by war-planes presumed to be Serbian. see kna · 7 The mediators, Lord Owen of

the European Community, and the UN envoy, Cyrus R. Vance, have also urged the council to be ready to rusb hundreds of human-rights yea; dec SC-1 nide monitors to Bosnia-Herzegovina. foor E On Tuesday, the UN Protection Force in Bosnia confirmed that Rui three single-engine propeller planes — one of them a biplane — dropped three bombs Saturday on was wer eastern Bosnian Muslim villages WOI Fre about eight kilometers southeast of sixt Stebrenica, then flew back toward

Serbian territory. Since the Security Council jum 21s pia banned military flights over Bosnia in October, UN have re-

Computed by Cur Staff From Despatches would like the Security Council to UNITED NATIONS, New enact a resolution threatening to York -As the Bosnian peace talks shoot down planes that venture into the skies over Bosnia, Mr. tors pressed the Security Council to Boucher said. But officials said the United States had been unable to muster sufficient support from its

> Britain and France, which have thousands of peacekeepers on the ground in Bosnia and in Croatia, have urged caution about any enforcement resolution, fearing their troops would become the targets of retaliatory attacks by Serbs.

Many military analysts question the value of enforcing a "no-fly" zone, as nearly all the havoc and atrocities involved in the war are the work of militias seizing territo-ry in ground assaults and sieges. As the talks in New York re-

**For Talks With Yeltsin** sumed, NATO approved plans on Wednesday to send at least 50,000 Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches troops to Bosnia within days of an SUKHUMI, Geor agreement to enforce a UN-sponsored peace plan, but the alliance sidestepped a quarrel over who would command the force. France, which has opposed a U.S. suggestion that NATO should command the force, asked for extra time for Paris to consider the plans. A UN aid convoy trying to reach Mr. Shevardnadze, on the secthe besieged Muslim enclave of ond day of a visit to the Georgian-Srebrenica in eastern Bosnia, will held city of Sukhumi, said he wantbe forced to spend another night on ed to discuss with Mr. Yeltsin Scrbian territory, a UN Protection

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pared an instructional booklei for

that city's schools, according to

the daily Die Welt of Hamburg. It

makes no mention of contracep-

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tion), and instead advises young

girls to avoid "provocative, flirta-tious behavior" and to learn to

steer conversations with young

men away from "anything to do

with the genital area."

Pallbearers carrying the coffin Wednesday of Djillali Liabes, a former minister of higher education, who was gunned down Tuesday by Islamic radicals. Suspected Muslim fundamentalists struck again Wednesday, killing Laadi Flici, a member of Algeria's National Consultative Council. The council has replaced the parliament, disbanded last year after the cancellation of general elections that the fundamentalists seemed poised to win. Since then, the Muslim militants have mounted attacks. **Police-Muslim Battle in Egypt Kills 12** themselves in a ground-floor apartment and

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches fought police for nearly 12 hours. The sources said Mr. Zaki escaped to a ASSIUT, Egypt — Twelve people were killed on Wednesday when the police launched a violent crackdown on Muslim neighboring building, fought off police who chased him up the stairwell, and was finally shot to death on the sixth floor. militants fighting to turn Egypt into a purist

Police operations against militants have already made this the bloodiest month in a year of surging political violence. A total of 28 militants, 11 policemen and three bystand-ers have died in raids in Cairo, Aswan and Security sources in Assist, 325 kilometers south of Cairo, said one of the dead was a 23year-old militant leader believed to have led a Assiut

year-old militant leader believed to have led a campaign of attacks on foreigners that has ravaged Egypt's tourist industry. The police said the shoot-out began after 350 police officers surrounded a 12-story apartment building where they believed a tremists were staying. Shortly afterward, some of the gunmen reportedly slipped into a neighboring building. Nine hours later, after extremists refused police demands to surrounder, the police A senior government official said dialogue and defensive policing had failed and police were now opening fire whenever they were shot at.

Security sources put the casualty toll in Assiut at 10 militants and two policemen killed and 24 policemen injured, nine serious-

The battles traumatized residents. The militant movement Islamic Group led an uprising here in 1981 after an allied group assassi-nated President Anwar Sadat, Security forces regained control and recent militant activity bas concentrated in villages outside the city.

"I haven't seen a war in my life, this was the first one," said Abdel-Tawwab Abdel-Mutiy, a father of five living in the narrow street where the worst fighting took place. "We reject terrorism. These militants are terrifying people. All night we were living in fear and terror."

Another man, Mohammed Hassan Barhoum, told Reuters: "We have been living in this neighborhood for 20 years, and this was the first time we discovered we had militants living here. We all know each other."

Some residents accused the government of being slow to clamp down on the militants, who have survived a year of increasingly forceful security measures and were still able on Tuesday to plant a bomb in an empty tourist bus parked outside the Egyptian Muum in the heart of Cairo.

"The government will not be able to crush these people," said Mohammed Ali Abdel-Halim, a farmer. "They left them to them-selves and only now they decided to eliminate them. But they cannot do that because they have become a big force in Assiut,

"They have weapons and bombs and bases verywhere in the villages here."

Inside the buildings where the assault oc-curred, surrounded by smashed furniture and broken glass, investigators picked through boxes of ammunition and inspected captured automatic weapons. Others carried boxes of militant pamphlets and books into the street. The Egyptian militants' spiritual leader is Sbeikh Omar Abdel Rahman, a blind preach-

er living in New Jersey. Two of his followers have been arrested in connection with a car bomb that killed six people and injured more than 1,000 at the World Trade Center in New York last month. (Reuters, AP)

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PARIS (Reuters) - France has barred President Moburu Sese Seko of Zaire from entering the country to press him into making way for democracy, a French Foreign Ministry spokesman said Wednesday. The spokesman, Daniel Bernard, said the democratic process must resume in

Marshal Mobutu, who has a residence on the French Riviera, had planned to be in France on Monday and Tuesday. But the ministry spokesman said, "We deemed it advisable at the moment that he refrain from coming to France."

from coming to France. Marshal Mobutu, struggling to keep his grip on power, slaved at his luxurious residence in Cap Martin on the Mediterranean coest last month to be treated by his dentist in nearby Monte Carlo. France was criticized by Zaire's pro-democracy movement for allowing him into the country.

## 3 Die in U.S. Train-Gas Truck Crash

OAKLAND PARK, Florida (AP) — A southbound Amtrak train-struck a gasoline tanker truck Wednesday, causing a explosion and killing at least three people, anthorities said. There were no fatalities on the train, which carried 108 passengers and

a crew of 10; all were evacuated without injury, according to an Amtrak spokesman. The crash occurred around 3 P.M. at a crossing near Interstate 95 in a suburb of Fort Lauderdale. At least eight vehice, burned.

The cars of the train, the Silver Star from New York City, remained upright, but the fire-blackened lead locomotive stopped several hundred yards down the track.

#### 11 Hurt in French Fishing Protests

PARIS (AFP) — At least 11 people, nine of them policemen, were hart as thousands of angry fishermen took to the streets throughout France on Wednesday to protest cheap seafood imports. A policeman was hospitalized in serious condition in the southwestern town of Bayonne after he was struck in the face by a signal flare that a fisherman had set off during clashes between 600 protesters and security forces. "Half of the officer's face was torn away by the explosion," a doctor said, while police said they had arrested the man who fired the large and four others. flare and four others.

flare and four others. In Nantes, western France, heavy fighting lasted all afternoon. Seven officers and one protester were hospitalized, officials sources said. The fighting continued between about 800 fishermen and 250 police who tiposted with barrages of tear gas grenades. The biggest demonstration was in Quimper, where about 10,000 fishermen and their families marched through the streets, skirmishing with police and breaking windows. But there were also protests in Marseille, Nimes and Montpel-

#### **Swedish Government Survives Test**

STOCKHOLM (AP) --- Sweden's conservative-led government won a parliamentary vote of confidence on Wednesday, but faces enother challenge next week over its plan to make drastic welfare cuts. Prime Minister Carl Bildt, whose coalition controls a minority of

Parliament seats, is facing increasing pressure from the populist New Democracy party for a say in government policy. Mr. Bildt, irritated by his inability to count on New Democracy's support, threatened to call elections if he lost Wednesday's vote. New

Democracy party members abstained. Ian Wachtmeister, the party's leader, said it was possible that members would vote next Wednesday against the government's proposal to sharply cut unemployment benefits.

### East German Spy Chief Faces Trial

DUSSELDORF (Reuters) — Markus Wolf, the chief of East Germa-ny's Cold War spy network, will go on trial next month for three decades of espionage that penetrated nearly all levels of West German politics.

of espionage that penetrated nearly all levels of west German pointes, industry and the military. Düsseldorf's regional high court said Wednesday that Mr. Wolf would go on trial on April 4 for three espionage cases, including planting the spy who brought down Chancellor Willy Brandt of West Germany. Mr. Wolf is charged with high treason and bribery for paying off agents at the heart of Bonn's establishment during the Cold War. He field to Moscow before Germany reunited in 1990 but returned a year later to eithe binaself up give himself up.

## TRAVEL UPDATE

Belgrade Imposes Visa Requirement BELGRADE (AP) — Yugoslavia has revoked visa-free travel for citizens of 16 nations, most of them Western, the Tarjug press agency reported Wednesday. The decision came after those countries began requiring visas for Yugoslav citizens, following the escalation of war in the former Yugoslav prize of Creative and Poster Visas



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corded 465 minor violations by 28 Serbian and Croatian pilots using bei planes and helicopters for surveil-- 7 lance or to evacuate wounded solarc diers. But the March 13 attack was the

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sla planes were Serbian. They have about 40 aircraft the Yugoslav

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ch "I think that the confirmed sighting by the UN of bombs being dropped is a very serious develop-

D ment," Lord Owen said, "and think it is in such flagrant violation of the 'no-fly' zone that it will again raise the whole question of whether or not there should be military en-

forcement of the 'no-fly' zone." "So expect it to be put back on the agenda here in New York most forcefully." Lord Owen said.

The three flights were in flagrant violation of the "no-fly" zone, the spokesman for the U.S. State De-

partment. Richard A. Boucher. said in Washington.

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Serbs, to an appeal by General Philippe Morillon, head of UN forces khazia got out of hand and evolved in Bosnia, that the vchicles he alinto a full-blown war between Russin and Georgia.

General Morillon, who is in Sre-Abkhazian separatist forces said Wednesday that they had halted an offensive on Sukhumi and had brenica, said he had established his headquarters there "in the interest of peace and in the interest of your pulled back, the Itar-Tass press (AP, Reuters, AFP) agency said.

A. Shevardnadze, the Georgian leader, called here Wednesday for try as saying: "To avoid the full destruction of Sukhumi, the coman urgent meeting with President mand of the armed forces of the Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia as his Abkhazian Republic has abstained two leading military aides arrived from developing the offensive of the Abkhazian Army on the town of Sukhumi further." to plan the reinforcement of Georgian positions in the breakaway province of Abkhazia. There was no immediate confir-

mation from the Georgian side of the reported pullback.

The agency quoted a statement

The Georgian defense minister, Tengiz Kitovani, and the deputy chairman of the Georgian Defense Council, Jaba Ioseliani, arrived in Sukhumi to meet with Georgian commanders in Abkhazia.

running up astronomical bills. The military leaders said they Doctors from Duke Univerwould sent additional troops, insity watched what happened cluding elite rapid-deployment to 146 patients who were given units, to enforce Georgian posicardiopulmonary resuscita-tion after they suffered cardiac tions in Sukhumi and along the Gumista River near the Abkhazian arrest in the general medical and surgical wards between capital, as well in the southern Abkhazian town of Ochamchira. 1988 and 1991.

Georgia has repeatedly accused Doctors and nurses were Russian troops based in Abkhazia able to revive 58 percent of the of siding with the rebels. Moscow patients. But only seven pahas denied the charge, stating thet Russian troops remained neutral in tients, or 5 percent, got well enough to leave the hospital. the conflict. (AFP, Reuters)

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Radio Finland now offers news

in Latin each weekend. The pro-

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ter and the arrested chairman of a than \$150,000 per survivor, state-owned energy company at the because most victims never rebeart of a corruption scandal cover enough to go bome, a clashed Wednesday over who had turned the company into a channel for political slush funds, In fact, the research found that most of those given cardiopulmonary resuscitation. or CPR, in hospitals never re-

Gabriele Cagliari, chairman of the energy giant Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi, who was arrested March 9, told investigators that the company paid \$12 million to the Socialists and Christian Democrats. But he said that he had inhermanagement.

Finance Minister Franco Reviglio, who preceded Mr. Cagliari as boss of ENI, and who is now struggling to avoid being sucked into the scandal thet has forced three ministers to resign, denied the allegation.

"If he is referring to my chairmanship, I categorically deny ever having known about any slush funds," Mr. Reviglio said in a state-

Mr. Reviglio went further and claimed credit for eleaning up ENI.

"I was called to take over ENI to elean up after the scandals of the end of the 1970s," he said Wednesday. "I did everything possible to guarantee a maximum degree of correctness and transparency in the

company's management." "Scandal-tainted foreign subsidiaries were closed, managers who did not provide guarantees of complete correctness were replaced and controls were tightened," he said. Mr. Cagliari, who was ques-tioned Tuesday by magistrates at San Vittore jail in Milan, said he knew about secret ENI payments made by the company's foreign subsidiaries to foreign bank accounts held by Italian political par-

Bettino Craxi, the disgraced for-mer prime minister whose Socialist Party controlled ENI as a private fieldom, has been accused by Miian magistrates of taking \$12 million from ENI for his party. One of Italy's best-known ecoestinians said.

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the latest unrest, soldiers wounded treasurer from 1971 to 1982, said in 71 Palestinians from Gaza town an article in the latest issue of the and the camp and 16 more elseweekly Espresso that he helped run where in the strip. ENI political slush funds financed Palestinians said the soldiers by profits the company made on used tear gas, rubber and plastic treasury operations abroad.

bullets and live ammunition to dis-Mr. Florini, now in jail in Switperse crowds. zerland after the collapse of his financial empire, was questioned by Milan magistrates in Geneva The army said 11 Palestinians had been hospitalized for wounds, but added that many others had shortly before the arrest of Mr. Cagliari and the chairmen of four ENI been released after treatment subsidiaries last week.

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Citizens of France, Austria, Switzerland, Belgium, Denmark, Nether lands, Luxembourg, Finland, Sweden, Norway, Britain, Morocco, Iceland, Turkey and Iran will now have to obtain a visa for entering the rump Yugoslavia of Serbia and Montenegro.

Hotels and motels seeking the endorsement of the American Automobile Association will have to provide deadbolts and peepholes in their guest rooms, the auto club said Tuesday. The requirement, which begins in August, affects 19,000 locations that already have the AAA's approval. That represents two-thirds of accommodations in the United States. Also affected will be 3,000 hotels and motels in Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean. (AP)

Hundreds of thousands of Greek workers are expected to join a 24-hour nationwide strike Thursday. Transport workers have warned of long delays and power workers issued schedules for likely blackouts. (Reuters) More than half of London's buses remained in garages Wednesday as . thousands of drivers and conductors staged a second 24-hour strike over ited the practice from the previous pay cuts and longer working hours. . (AP)

Airlines in Nigeria have announced a 500 percent increase in fares on domestic routes in response to a similar increase in the price of aviation fuel an airline official said Wednesday. (AFP)

## No More Lip From Gum Chewers

SINGAPORE - Success was proclaimed Wednesday in the

yearlong war against the menace of chewing gum, whose manufac-ture, sale and importation are against the law in Singapore. Singapore Broadcasting Corp. reported a "dramatic drop in litter-ing with spent chewing gum" in subway trains and stations and other public places.

Mere possession of a illicit stick of Spearmint is not an offense. But those convicted of trying to import gum can be fined as much as 10,000 Singapore dollars (\$6,250) and sentenced to a year in jail.

Visitors must declare their gom to customs when entering the country. Those carrying a few sucks may keep them, but others with several packs will have them confiscated.

## Soldiers in Gaza Strip Wound 87 Palestinians

Reuters GAZA, Israeli-Occupied Gaza

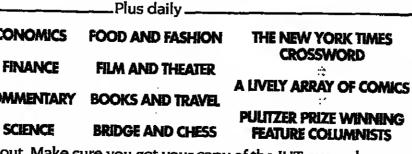
Arab-owned gas station in a village near Nablus, Palestinians said. The Strip --- Israeli troops wounded 87 settlers, they said, destroyed the gas Palestinians in the Gaza Strip on pumps with hammers and rocks Wednesday, and Jewish settlers before torching the building. It is rampaged through parts of the West Bank avenging the killing of two Jews by an Arab motorist, Palon the main Nablus-Jerusalem road near where the Arab driver of a minibus ran over and killed two Jews on Monday.

The settlers say the driver intended to kill the Jews. The army said it may have been a road accident

Settlers have closed roads and have stoned and fired on Arab cars in the West Bank several times since Monday. The settlers, who oppose Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's willingness to exchange oc-cupied Arab land for peace, say the government has failed to protect them. Mr. Rabin cut short a trip to Washington this week after a surge in Arab-Jewish bloodshed.

Israelis have killed at least 59 Palestinians, and Arabs have killed at least 10 Israelis, since the expulsions of 415 Palestinians to Leba-Jewish settlers set fire to an non in December.

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## Defense Secretary to Receive a Pacemaker

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WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary Les Aspin will have a WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Les Aspin will nave a pacemaker implanted on Thursday to correct a heart problem that has lead to shortness of breath, his doctors said. Dr. David Pearle, a Georgetown University Medical Center cardi-ologist, said doctors ware concerned "that he has had two episodes in the last two or three weeks in which he's gotten pretty sick." The doctors said a nacemaker would be implanted in a two-hour

The doctors said a pacemaker would be implanted in a two-hour operation using local anesthetic, which would not require him to band off his duties as defense secretary. Dr. Pearle said he expected

Mr. Aspin to be able to return to work next week. President Bill Clinton brushed off a suggestion that he might have to find a new secretary. "People get pacemakers all the time," be said. (AP)

## Tea Party Anniversary of Sorts for First Lady

WASHINGTON - Maybe it was just coincidence. Maybe it was some strange urging of the subconscious. But whatever the cause, Filiary Rodham Clinton gave a tea.

For those who lack a memory for campaign trivia, Tuesday marked the precise one-year anniversary of an infamous remark about tes and cookies that nearly sank Mrs. Clinton as a campaigner and led to weeks of anxiety within her husband's campaign about her

At the time, the event was, as a senior White House aide put it Tuesday, "a painful education." Now, however, the memory may seem a little less painful — at least when viewed from the security of the White House East Room, where Mrs. Chinton bosted the tea for wives of roughly a dozen Western hemisphere heads of state who are here for a meeting of the Organization of American States.

On March 16, 1992, while the Clintons campaigned at the Busy Bee colfee shop in Chicago, reporters asked Mrs. Clinton if her work in a law firm that did business with the Arkansas state government did not inevitably create a conflict of interest. She shot back: "No. "I suppose I could have stayed home and baked cookies and had teas, but what I decided to do is fulfill my profession which I entered before my husband was in public life." Aides insisted that the timing of the tea on Tuesday had nothing to

do with that event. "I don't think she even knows today is the anniversary," said a spokeswoman, Lisa Caputo. (LAT)

#### Perot Launches National 'Ballot' on Reform

DALLAS --- Ross Perot and his United We Stand America group began a "referendum" for government reform Wednesday that seeks citizen response to questions like abolishing the Electoral College and eliminating foreign lobbyists.

The Perot headquarters here said that Mr. Perot has bought 30 minutes on NBC television Sunday to announce his program, called "The First National Referendum - Government Reform." In it, Mr. Perot will ask viewers to vote on 16 reform issues, most of them a rehash of questions he raised in his unsuccessful run for the White House in November, and to mail their ballots to the United We Stand office in London, Kentucky. To promote the referendum, Mr. Perot placed two copies of the

estionnaire in the March 20 edition of TV Guide. It was also sent to 10,000 newspaper editors and 10,000 television and radio stations, asking them to print it as a public service. The ballot has also been included in popular personal computer softwares and was handdelivered to the president, vice president and members of Congress. (UPI)

#### Victory for House Republicans on Panel Cuts

WASHINGTON -- House Republicans scored their first victory of the year in a campaign to cut congressional staffs and spending when the speaker, Thomas S. Foley, conceded that the four select committees with no authority to propose bills would be abolished. All four committees — on Aging; Children, Youth and Families; Hunger, and Narcotics Abuse and Control — have been imperiled since Jan. 26, when the House voted, 237 to 180, to kill the politically popular narcotics panel. All 169 Republicans who voted were in the majority on the issue.

Since then, House leaders and the chairmen of the committees have sought to find ways of keeping all four going, at least until the early fail, when the Joint Committee on the Organization of Congress makes recommendations on committee structure and other changes intended to make Congress more efficient. But many new members had promised voters to shake up Con-

ress, and House leaders have found minimal support among Demo-



Mayor Raymond L. Flynn of Boston holding news conference at his neighborhood church to announce his resignation to become ambassador to the Vatican at President Clinton's request.

## **Boston Mayor to Be Envoy to Vatican**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton has selected Raymond L. Flynn, the longtime Democratic tion Agency. officials said.

mayor of Boston and a Roman Catholic, to become the U.S. amtional Conference of Mayors in bassador to the Vatican. Mr. Clinton also announced the nomination of Jean Kennedy Smith, a sister of Senator Edward

Duffey's appointment. But it was expected that when Mr. Duffey, long active in the Democratic Party, is named, it will be coupled with an announcement that his deput will be Penn Kemble, a conserva Kennedy Smith, who was acquitted tive Democrat, the officials said. of rape in Florida in 1991. The selections of Mr. Duffe Mr. Clinton also selected Joseph who beld top educational and cu

D. Duffey, president of American tural posts in the Carter adminis-University and an old friend, to tration, and of Mr. Kemble, who is head the United States Informa- counted in the conservative camp, counted in the conservative camp appeared to create an ideological Mr. Flynn, was bead of the Nabalance at a critical moment.

Advocates of the agency have endorsed a proposal by Mr. Clinton to consolidate all governmentsponsored international broadcast-

ing operations. (AP, NYT, Reuters)

# Despite Signs of House Mutiny, Foley Hopeful on Clinton Plan

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WASHINGTON - The House speaker, Thomas S. Folcy of Washington, predicted that President Bill Clinton's economic plan would be approved intact as conservatives pressed their efforts Wednesday to trim

the administration's job-creation package. "There is a substantial majority within the caucus to enact the package," said Mr. Foley, a Democrat, referring to the Democratic estucus.

He spoke as the House began debating the outlines of a Democratic-written \$510 billion budget-cutting plan and prepared to consider a separate \$16.2 billion ob-creation bill. Votes on final passage of both measures were scheduled for Thursday.

The Senate was also expected to begin debate on a similar half-trillion-dollar deficit-reduction outline. Representative Charles Stenholm, Democrat of Texas, who is leading a conservative effort to reduce the \$16.2 billion spending measure, said he was not

giving up his effort. He and Mr. Foley met privately late Tuesday, but oeither said an agreement had been reached

"Since when is a good light among Democrats damaging to the legislative process?" Mr. Stenholm asked.

Some Democratic senators also insist that the package will have to be altered to gain acceptance.

Although the package, including funding for summer jobs and unemployment insurance, is a small part of Mr. Clinton's overall budget and economic strategy, the White House and congressional leaders have made passage of the program in its entirety a test of party lovalty.

Most Democrats are eager to give the new president what he wants. Yet, party conservatives, including Mr. Stenholm and Senators David L. Boren of Oklahoma and John Breaux of Louisiana, are gaining support for their efforts either to scale back or put off much of the spending.

According to Mr. Breaux, about 15 of the Senate's 57 Democrats are reluctant to support the job-creation package without a chance to put in place the deficit- Policy Committee said in a statement. (AP, WP)

reduction measures favored by Mr. Clinton. That process will take months to complete, and the administration wants to have the jobs package approved before Easter recess.

In another budget-related development, Mr. Clinton suggested Tuesday that he might have to reconsider his deep cuts in defense if the situation in Russia, does not improve. A White House spokesman dismissed the statement as a pro-forma acknowledgment' that military spending must be tied to the reality of threats in the world, but Republicans who spoke privately to Mr. Clinton said his comments had gone beyond that

The president's jobs package, which is meant to stimulate the economy, would provide about \$4 billion for unemployment benefits, \$3.4 billion for education. \$1.5 billion for other social programs, \$2.5 billion for community development block grants, \$700 million-for summer jobs for youth and \$60 million for a variety of government-funded jobs.

On Tuesday, Mr. Stenholm asked the House Rules Committee to allow a vote on an amendment that would force Congress and the administration either to, shelve about \$10 billion of the spending or offset its cost by reducing spending in other areas.

Mr. Foley, who was caught by surprise by Mr. Stenholm's amendment, must decide whether to block consideration of the amendment when the plan, reaches the floor on Thursday --- thereby prompting an outcry from conservative Democrats and Republicans - or to allow a vote and risk having the amendment adopted

The administration and congressional leaders have described the package as an "insurance policy" against a relapse for the economy, but Republican congressional leaders dismissed much of it as "wasteful spending" in a letter Tuesday to Mr. Clinton.

"It is a grab bag for groups ranging from big-city mayors and the District of Columbia to government and academic researchers," the House Republican

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# Salvador Cover-Up **By Reagan Team?**

### **Congressman Vows Detailed Inquiry**

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Washington Post Service WASHINGTON - The chairacts were known or should have man of a House subcommittee has been known to U.S. officials in E charged that the Reagan adminis-Salvador," Mr. Boergenthal said tration lied to Congress for years "In some cases, there is a sense that about the El Salvador armed they didn't want to know." forces' complicity in murder, and That was true, the commissio members said, of the 1981 El Mo he said "every word uttered by ev-ery Reagan administration. offi-cial" about the observance of hnzote massacre in which hundreds of civilians were killed by army units man rights in El Salvador should be The U.S. Embassy maintained for years that it had no evidence of reviewed for perjury. The remarks by Robert G. Torri-

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crats for keeping any of the select committees.

"There seems to be no real purpose in bringing this issue to the floor," Mr. Foley, a Washington Democrat, said Tuesday. Counts of how members said they would vote have been "very negative," he added.

The elimination of the four committees will save taxpayers about \$2.7 million in the rest of 1993, congressional officials said. At the end of January, they had about 85 employees. (NYT)

#### Quote/Unquote

The actor Paul Newman, asked about a recent private dinner with President Clinton: "He brings the fine art of listening back into (WP) fashion."

#### **Away From Politics**

As many as 30 members of the Branch Davidian cult may come out of their compound in Waco, Texas, if they are satisfied with the FBI's treatment of Kathy Schroeder and Oliver Gyarfas, two members who left last week. Cult leaders are preparing a list of legal questions, which negotiators expect to receive at a second meeting, an agent, Bob Ricks, said,

• Two Russian immigrants have pleaded guilty in Los Angeles to a \$1 billion medical insurance frand. Michael Smushkevich and Bogich Jovovich, who ran a string of diagnostic clinics, face up to 100 years in prison. According to the indictment, the clinics used telephone sales agents to lure patients with promises of free medical exams. The "patients" were diagnosed with disorders they did not have, and their insurance companies were billed.

• The first defense witness in the trial of the four Los Angeles police officers accused of beating Rodney G. King said Mr. King laughed and made a joke as he lay beaten on the ground. Another officer told jurors she heard Mr. King laughing in an ambulance.

· Chicago workers have found a 16th victim in the charred rubble of a hotel for transients. The city's fire chief said about 14 of the 130 people registered at the Paxton Hotel when the fire broke out were still unaccounted for.

About 100 New York bomosexnals, protesting their exclusion from the SL Patrick's Day Parade, were arrested as they staged a sil-in an hour before the traditional march began up Fifth Avenue in New York City.

U.S. IOUTIALISTS WINO Western Hemisphere alfairs, area and interviewed witnesses. marked the latest turn in a renewed Nevertheless, the commissione controversy about whether the told the subcommittee, their invi Reagan administration covered up tigation uncovered the fact that abuses by the Salvadoran military least one embassy official had crea to gain congressional approval of ible evidence of the killings.

\$6 billion in aid during the 1980s. "My own impression is that ca The question has arisen again foltain officials in the embassy we lowing the release Monday of a not interested in receiving that in formation," Mr. Buergenthal said Discussing another highly con troversial incident — the 1980 kill report by a United Nations-sponsored commission that investigated rights abuses in El Salvador's 12year civil war. ing of four American Catho "This Congress 10 years ago esomen missionaries hy Salvador

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#### If government officials "testified they had no knowledge of killing Amnesty Measure

El Salvador's ruling party mov when they did, they better not have rapidly Tuesday to pass an amne said it under oath," he said. "This committee will review every word ty for all those named by the UI uttered by every Reagan administration official." sponsored investigation of civil w crimes, The Washington Post ported from San Salvador. It al "I, for one, will not be content rallied behind Roberto d'Aubu until we know the whole truth son, the late founder of the par about our own attempt to cover up who was formally named in t these abuses from the Congress and report as a leader of rightist dea

the American people," he said. souads. Mr. Torricelli made his charges The governing Nationalist F as the subcommittee heard testimopublican Alliance, at the request President Alfredo Cristiani. ny from the three UN commission members. Thomas Buergenthal, a scheduled to introduce the amnes law professor at George Washing-ton University; Belisario Betancur measure at Thursday's meeting the National Assembly. The Alli-Charlas, a former president of Coance, with its allies in smaller parlombia, and Reynaldo Figueredo, a ties, has the necessary 43 votes in member of the Venezuelan conthe 84-seat assembly to pass the gress. They told the subcommittee measur that their investigation showed that U.S. officials in El Salvador were in cords. measure, which was foreseen as an eventual result of the peace ac-

HAYES: Doyenne of	f the American	Theater and Screen	Is Dead at 92
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Little Theatre was renamed the Helen Hayes.

Armam Brown, a wholesale meat and poultry

salesman, and her mother was Catharine Hayes

Brown, a onctine actress who saw the theater

recalled more than 80 years later in an autobi-

if I would succeed, I became a professional

actress, and remained one all my life. God

knows I have few regrets. I loved working in the

She began her stage career at the age of 5 as Prince Charles in "The Royal Family," at the National Theatre in her hometown. She ended

it in Washington 67 years later at Catholic

University's Hartke Theatre, where her final

performance was the ardnous and demanding

"With no chance to wonder if I had talent or

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in pictures, and I have a beautiful dream that I'm elegant on stage." she once said. From the 1920s until she retired from the live theater in 1971 there were few seasons when Helen Hayes was not playing on Broadway or touring the country with her latest hit.

She was short, and she lacked the glamour and sexiness of many of the Hollywood stars of her era. Even at the pinnacle of her career she was self-effacing and down to earth, and she liked to describe herself as just an ordinary person." But she had an acting style that was fresh, natural and wholesome - stately when the occasion demanded. She also had a remarkable ability to establish a relationship with her audience and an exquisite sense of timing.

Her stage presence was commanding, authentic and convincing. Despite her size she played the part of the 6-foot-tall Mary Stuart in Maxwell Anderson's "Mary of Scotland" on Broadway in 1933 and 1934. It became one of her greatest hits. To her audiences she looked like she really was that tall. Asked how she had managed this, Miss Hayes answered, "If you must know I think myself tall."

She was one of the few American performers to have a theater named after her. In November

of 1955 New York's Fulton Theatre was rerole of the drug-addicted Mary Tyrone, based on the playwright's mother, in Eugene O'Neill's "Long Day's Journey Into Night." Her stage work included leading roles in such camed the Helen Hayes to celebrate Miss Hayes's 50th anniversary in the theater. The huilding was torn down in 1981 to make way

for a botel complex, but in 1984 New York's productions as Maxwell Anderson's "Candle in the Wind" (1941); "Hardet," in which she played Harriet Beecher Stowe (1943); "The Glass Menagerie," playing the part of Amanda Wingfield (1948 and 1961); "The Wisteria Trees," based on Chekhov's "The Cherry Or-chard" (1950): "The Misteria Helen Hayes Brown was born in Washington on Oct. 10, 1900. Her father was Francis Van chard" (1950); "Mrs. McThing" (1952); "The Skin of our Teeth" (1955 and 1966); "Time as a glamorous alternative to the tedium of Remembered," for which she won a Tony Award (1957); "A Touch of the Poet" (1958); "The Show-Off" (1967), and "Harvey," oppo-"I never chose to be an actress," Miss Hayes ography, "My Life in Three Acts." "That

site James Stewart (1970). Her films included "A Farewell to Arms," "Arrowsmith," "Crime Without Passion," "What Every Woman Knows," "Night Flight, "The White Sister" and "Another Language." In 1928, Miss Hayes married Charles Mac-Arthur, the playwright and former Chicago newsman who with Ben Hecht was author of the hit play "The Front Page."

The couple's son, James MacAsthur, went oo to become an actor and was best known to the public for his role in the television series "Hawan Five-0."

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## How Best to Help Russia?

get moving. The long period of indecision and minimal assistance seems to have been ended hy two things: the tremendous strug-gle under way in Moscow and the arrival of

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a new president in Washington. The Clinton administration is right to push for a more muscular effort by the Group of Seven to support Russian democracy. Foreign aid alone won't set the course of Russian history. But it would be unspeakably foolish to let a genuine demo-cratic movement die in the chaos of this second Russian revolution merely for want of a relatively small amount of money to

keep basic government services going. Concerning that reference to a relatively small amount of money, you might ask. "Small relative to what?" The answer is: relative to the amounts the democracies used to spend every year to defend them-selves from specifically, the Soviet Union.

The Hong Kong meeting was chaired hy coming on aid to Russia --- may have begun

Suddenly the question is no longer to think more carefully about their national whether to help Russia but bow to do it interests. Japan is as well positioned as any most effectively. Meeting in Hong Kong country to benefit from close proximity to a during the weekend, the governments of the peaceful and prospering Russia, just as it is world's seven richest democracies agreed to poorly equipped to defend itself from a nationalistic and bostile one.

What kind of aid? There was talk in Hong Kong of supporting at least a rudi-mentary social safety act to belp the Russians through the transition in which the state factories are reorganized or sbut down. Most of the useful aid promised by the West a year ago was never delivered because the Russians failed to meet the economic conditions. They let their inflation rate fly out of control. But that was the result of keeping the old factories going to avoid unemployment. Perhaps it would be wise to split the aid package, making only some of it contingent on the conventional deficit-and-inflation conditions. For the rest, the single condition ought to be democratic self-government. That means no tanks in the streets. It might also mean an early election for a legitimate Congress of People's Deputies to replace the present one, chosen under the old Soviet system. It is Russian democracy that really interests

the countries sending aid. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

## **Tougher Stance on Trade**

During the presidential campaign, Bill Clinton talked tough, vowing to hammer out bold protections for the environment and U.S. workers before he would approve the North American Free Trade Agreement with Mexico and Canada. At the time, his demands sounded like potential deal-busters. Now be is facing up to the difficulty that his campaign rhetoric poses for com-pleting negotiations on the trade pact.

In congressional testimony on Tuesday, the president's chief trade negotiator. Mickey Kantor, tonk a tougher stance than be did the week before. But the proposals he outlined were cautious, even timid. Negotiations on final details are beginning with the Mexicans and Canadians; if Mr. Clinton does not stiffen his demands, NAFTA might run into trouble among congressional Democrais.

Mr. Clinton is under pressure from environmentalists and labor and industry air over Los Angeles or hiring illegal aliens? groups to win additional concessions from Mexico and Canada. But the pact signed by President George Bush is sound at the core. By knocking down tariff and other trade barriers, NAFTA would lower prices for hundreds of millions of consumers and help

Mexico solidify its pro-market reforms. It would protect U.S. workers from surges of Mexican imports. It is the most environmentally sensitive trade pact ever negotiated - protecting U.S. standards against easy challenge. And while U.S. businesses will continue to move to Mexico, the flow should not rise much above current levels.

Yet there are areas where the agreement comes up short. It would provide no longterm funding to clean up polluted border areas. Nor would it force improved environmental codes and working conditions although in general the three countries bave set high standards.

violates its own environmental and labor laws. Lax enforcement becomes a trade issue when it permits companies to produce at lower costs, which can be passed along to

customers as lower prices. Mr. Kantor has offered useful, if incomplete, ways to address the problem. He has called on Mexico to give citizens easier access to courts to challenge environmental violations. He has also called for trilateral commissions to negotiate better environmental and labor standards and trigger investigations of alleged violations.

But what if a country consistently vio lates its own laws? In his testimony, Mr. Kantor refused to say whether the commissions should levy trade sanctions. Such sanctions raise tricky issues of sovereignty. Is America prepared to have sanctions applied to companies because an international tribunal finds them guilty of polluting the Trade sanctions can also ignite protec-

tionist maneuvers: Businesses would be tempted to trump up charges against a foreign competitor in the hope that a tariff would be imposed on its exports.

Although tricky, these problems are solv able. Gary Hufbauer and Jeffrey Schott of the Institute for International Economics would allow panels to impose sanctions but apply them to all exports from the of-fending country, not just those from the offending companies. That way, companies from, say, the United States would gain little by bringing frivolous charges against Mexican competitors; yet Mexico would still be pressured to correct the violation because thousands of innocent exporters would feel threatened by across-the-board tariffs.

NAFTA is a good deal for the United States even without improvements. And it would be a foreign policy blunder to let it ale, portu

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# Ex-Yugoslavia: Aspin Paints U.S. Role on a Small Canvas

**OPINION** 

WASHINGTON - After weeks of incon-clusive discussion at the highest levels of the Clinton administration about using American troops to police a peace agreement in Bos-nia. Defense Secretary Les Aspin has thrown his weight behind a mission description that virtually rules out any future combat role for U.S. forces in ex-Yugoslavia. Mr. Aspin surprised other senior administra-

tion officials by publicly outlining on Sunday

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#### a limited role, against active

peacemaking in Bosnia.

highly restrictive conditions that he and General Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, are setting as the price for American participation in a proposed multinational force to guarantee an agreement among the warring

parties in Bosnia. Mr. Aspin's endorsement of the Powell view came in little-noticed remarks the defense sec-retary made on NBC's "Meet the Press." Mr. Aspin indirectly confirmed that there is a lack of consensus on Western military intervention in Bosnia not only among the governments of

PARIS - Do Central and East

ing the European Community?

Democratic forces in these coun-

tries struggled against communism for years with one goal in mind: to

return to Europe. Democratic.

peaceful and prosperous, Western Europe consultated the ultimate

standard, the light at the end of the

But less than four years after the fall of the Berlin Wall, the prospect

of entering the EC seems as distant

and Eastern Europe now pay lip service to the cause of the Commu-

nity, which still seems the surest

bulwark against the return of non-democratic and chauvinistic re-

gimes, But their enthusiasm is gone.

A cynical resignation is emerging in Central and Eastern Europe. Part

of this stems from the frustrating

contacts with their richer European

brothers, who do not seem to care

much for them, and part of it from

the slowness and paucity of aid. But much of the disappointment is due to the fact that Western Eu-

rope's own plans for greater integra-

tion seem to be falling apart. The self-doubis and increasing diffi-

dence of West Europeans are influ-encing the way the West is viewed in

Not so long ago, the EC ideal had

Prague, Budapest and Warsaw,

Aspiring EC members in Central

tunnel, the goal, the dream.

as ever - and less attractive.

Europeans still dream of enter-

By Jim Hoagland

Europe and the United States, but within many of those governments.

On one side of the fault line are the military and defense ministries, which emphasize the dangers and difficulties of trying to separate the warring nations of ex-Yugoslavia. On the other side stand the diplomats and politicians who feel that the atrocities and aggression committed in Bosnia cannot be allowed to stand. The debate, conducted behind closed doors,

reaches beyond Bosnia. It touches on the use of force abroad in the post-Cold War world, as ethnic and civil wars in the former Soviet empire intensify. The major players warily eye the precedents and criteria that could come out of Bosnia.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher ap-peared to have made progress in bridging the U.S. consensus gap in early February. He obtained a decision in the administration s policy-making "Principals Committee" that autho-nized American troops to participate in a multinational peacekeeping force if the Bosnian Muslims, Serbs and Croatians accepted the peace agreement proposed by UN negotiators. But in discussions since then, the committee, which is normally chaired by the president and includes Mr. Aspin and Mr. Christopher,

By Dominique Moïsi

has not reached agreement on whether the troops would be deployed as "peacekeepers" or "peacemakers," American officials in-dicated Tuesday in response to questions about Secretary Aspin's remarks Sunday. As peacekeepers, American troops would passively implement a self-policing agree-ment, much as the United Nations' blue hel-mets have monitored cease-fires in Cyprus and Sinai. As peacemakers, they would be character with comments where charged with enforcing the agreement, using force where necessary to make sure it is

obeyed and to punish violations. Mr. Aspin clearly came down on the side of a smaller, passive role in his remarks Sunday, and

smaler, passive role in mis remarks soundsy, and against active peacemaking in Bosnia. Pointing out the previous agreements that have been signed and ignored by the warring ex-Yugoslav factions, Mr. Aspin said:

"Signing it isn't what counts ... In addition to the signing there are these military parts of the agreement that have to be implemented — cease-fire within 72 hours, withdrawal, lifting the siege fire within 72 hours, withdrawal, lifting the step-of places like Sarajevo, letting people out of the prison camps. Those are things that you can see. If they do them, that's a sign they are really ready to settle," Mr. Aspin said. "If you have a thing like Cyprus or Sinai where the parties really are tired of killing each where the parties really are tired of killing each

other ... then the number of forces you need

to maintain the peacekeeping there is relatively small and not very dangerous. And I think the American public would accept that," he added "If they're only willing to sign the paper for

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tactical reason but they want to continue the tacucat reason out they want to continue the struggle ... it's going to be a much more dan-gerous mission. You could have situation scrous mission. For come nave situation where people are getting killed in small num-bers but regularly. Now I don't think the Amer-ican public would want that."

ican public would want that. The tone was strikingly different from that employed by Mr. Christopher in public state-ments. The secretary of state has artfully held out the prospect of a multinational peacekeepout the prospect of a mutunational peacekeep-ing force, without getting into specifics, to in-duce the Muslim-led Bosnian government to agree to a UN plan it has until now opposed. President Bill Clinton is not likely to make a final decision on the role U.S. troops would play until there is a firm agreement among the play until merc is a min and the could then in-

warring factors in beside free could then by pose consensus on his advisers. But as it did with George Bush, the Pentagon has made it clear that it will resist an active role on the ground in Bosnia and would prefer to on the ground in BOSTHA and Would prefer to avoid any direct role at all. That will underscore to Mr. Clinton that one of the biggest decisions he will make in the next six months will be in naming a successor to Colin Powell.

The Washington Post.

What Has Become of Our Dream? creasingly stressed is a political cul-ture built around democracy and peace. But West European governments seem too often to mock their to do with democracy and prosperity, political stability and economic growth. Today, it is associated indemocratic institutions, and Western Europe has proven unable to impose peace within Europe. De-mocracy is not threatened in its principles nor contested in its legiticreasingly with unemployment and international paralysis, notably re-garding the former Yugoslavia. West Europeans besitate between a feeling of shame or anger over their macy, but it is too seriously ham-

constitute a model for others. The addition of national gloom leads to a global questioning of the Community, its promises, its ambi-tions. The Maastricht accord has been ratified by a majority of EC member states, and most of the goals of a single market have been imple-mented. Yet the spirit is lacking.

grated Europe. They have not de-fined clear alternatives, but they are losing face, afraid that "tomorrow will be worse than today," unaware that their preoccupations are a luxu-

ry compared to the excrucialing problems of the "other" Europe. The Community's attractiveness to others is receding; the dilemma between its "deepening" and its "widening" has lost its significance. The Community may be enlarged to include Austria, Norway and even-tually a few others, but such an opening would be more than offset by the possible rejection of the

Subarto at 71: Is It Too Soon to Predict Change for Indonesia?

Try was first no

the army to Mr. Suharto, whose aide-de-camp he once was. But Mr. Su-

presidents have not counted for much under Mr. Suharto. Mr. Try is differ-

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Of course, there is no certainty that

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tains a strong belief in its role as national guardian of a unitary and

nonsectarian state. But it has prob-

lems translating that into a more pre-

cise role in a more complex society.

First, there is the army, which re-

ite to succeed.

Recently it has worried that Mr. state philosophy, over sectarianism. Subarto's flirtation with Muslim podemands of a changing society? might introduce his own candidate. litical forces, itself a reaction to the Muslims is whether to try to dominate ninated by the icism of the presiarmy's inte dent, could be divisive. It is conarmed forces, which were visibly ancerned that failure by Mr. Subarto to prepare his own succession could be a noyed with Mr. Suharto's choice of vice president for his previous term. For a while, a strong rival appeared to be Research Minister B. J. Habithreat to national stability. But the army remains torn between its heart bie, an aeronautical engineer who -its innate loyalty to Mr. Suhartopropounds a nationalist economic and its head. It senses that more participation is needed, but is uncertain program, beads a fast-growing Muslim group and is close to Mr. Suharto. With hindsight, Mr. Try now looks of the consequences. It is unsure whether to try to play a balancing role in the limited party politics al-lowed, or to push its influence in to have been the obvious choice. He is acceptable to the army, he is a Mus-

The dilemma for the army and for Golkar or promote one or both of the

By KOSTAS of Te Nes | Athense Cattle Senders de facto acceptance of a "multi-

keen to dissociate themselves from their Balkan neighbors, are also los-ing their initial solidarity and retreating to their selfish interests. With the breakup of Czechoslova-kia, Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus

identity and reverting to neo-Ottoman dreams with the Turkish parts of the former Soviet empire. Its courting of the Community, which has snubbed it for so long, has be-

come pro forma. In 1989, Europe dreamt of being reunited by democracy. In 1993, it is more and more united --- by fragmentation, gloom and self-doubt, What have we done to ourselves, and to our dreams?

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The writer, associate director of the Institut François des Relations Internationales, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

own passivity and a near-craven re-lief at not being involved. Western Europe is in the midst of a severe identity crisis. It no longer knows how to define its values and its geography. It seems almost incapacitated by the disappearance of its former enemy. West Europeans are slowly facing the fact that their Enropeans feel progressively alienated from the goal of an inte-

Atlantic, anti-Soviet, anti-totalitarian identity was the key component of their self-definition. Religious, geographic or cultural criteria do not offer satisfactory an-

swers to the identity question. In East European society, churches played a decisive role in resistance to Marxist totalitarianism. But in the pluralistic context of a modern, multiethnie Europe, a return to a notion

of Europe's "Christian essence" cannot be satisfactory. A geographic definition is also unsatisfactory. Are Russia and Tur-key European, partly European or fundamentally foreign?

The criteria that should be in-

By Philip Bowring

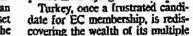
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thinks of the new Czech Republic as being alone. Nor are links between Poland, Hungary and the Czech Re-public intensifying. Turkey, once a frustrated candi-date for EC membership, is redis-



ing **prodic**m is Me record of enforcing standards. Here NAFTA well aware of the stakes. Still. there is room will not help much, because it provides no to get tougher without busting the deal. sanctions against a country that persistently

## **A Welcome USAir Deal**

tion's position, an important international airline partnership will be created in May - and travelers around the world should welcome it. A \$300 million investment by British Airways in USAir, which had failed to win approval hy the Bush administration, has been approved by President Bill Clinton, But the approval is not without some important reservations aimed at in- for travelers from Europe. creasing access by all U.S. carriers to passengers in Britain. It was this inability to secure more U.S. airline rights in Britain that had caused the Bush administration to into "earnest" negotiations to end restricfrown on the Britisb Airways-USAir deal. tions on competition by other U.S. carriers, The new administration's conditional ap- the United States will take unspecified "approval is a better approach. It keeps up the propriate actions. That is a clear signal to pressure but lets the flying public enjoy the Britain to negotiate in good faith. A Britisb benefits of foreign investment in cashstrapped U.S. carriers as well as the conveniences of global scheduling and service.

computers for flights linking British Air- carriers." Let us hope so. Act II should be ways to 38 USAir cities. Similar interna- even more interesting than Act I. tional agreements, not hampered by access

As a result of a change in the administra- restrictions like Britain's, already exist between Northwest Airlines and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines and between Continental Airways and Air Canada. One beneficiary of the USAir deal should be Baltimore-Washington International Airport, where USAir has a hub. Airline officials are saying that the arrangement should belp Baltimore in its role as a gateway to the United States

But all of this will come up for review in a year, according to Transportation Secretary Federico Pena, and if Britain does not enter Embassy spokesman, Peter Bean, says: "We share the administration's wish to liberalize the bilateral air service agreement. The agreement will mean joint listings on The U.K. wants to see equal terms for all

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

## **Other Comment**

#### A Japanese Hand for Russia

satisfied with the Russian atunude toward the Russians. We should be ready, aside the Japanese. And yet, it is time for us to think about extending a hand to the Rus-aid within the framework of cooperation sians in their reform efforts on our own with the other members of the Group of initiative, rather than being pressured to do Seven major industrialized countries. What so by the United States and Europe.

to have taken a turn for the worse in recent reform in Russia cannot be achieved during weeks. Assistance to put it back on track is Boris Yeltsin's stint as president alone. It urgent, apart from the outstanding problem may well be a role for the Japanese to of the Northern Territories between Russia broaden what the Americans and Europeand Japan. We cannot insist on not helping ans conceive to be aid to Mr. Yeltsin into the Russians because of the problem of the aid to Russia from a broader perspective. Northern Territories.

This does not mean that we have to withdraw the principle of inseparability of Since last year, we have not been entirely politics and economics in our relations with seems to be lacking among the Americans Confusion in Russia over reform seems and Europeans is a long-term view: that — Asahi Shimbun (Tokyo).

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sian Chinese, foreign and pribumi (in-digenous) capital, the political function of the armed forces, the role of the Time and again he bas played comstate, and distribution of wealth in a

The politics of succession is in play, and everyone is trying to read the president's mind and gain his ear.

tional balance in the process. He is usually thought to be more a tactician than a strategist, yet his basic policies have been remarkably stable. Political institutions have stagnated during his 25 years in office yet Indonesia has undergone social and economic transformation as rapid as any nation in the world. Growth has averaged more than 6 percent. Education and health have made huge strides. Mo-dernity in the form of satellite dishes. condoms and bigh-yield rice is in demand. Can that process continue while politics adjusts to his eventu-al departure and to the competing

peting groups off against each other, nation of rising expectations. Would greater openness, more democracy greater openness, more democracy and wider dispersal of power help manage these differences? Or would it lead to instability replacing the centrally guided consensus system Mr. Suharto has molded? Most immediately, attention cen-

Indonesia is much less fragm

geographically than it once was. Trou-bles in Aceh and East Timor are em-barrassing but are not the threat that

secessionism represented in the 1950s

and '60s. But in other ways competi-

tion is becoming more intense -- over the position of Islam (the religion of 80 percent), the relative roles of Indone-

ters on Mr. Suharto's new vice presi-dent, a retired armed forces chief, Try Sutrisno, 57. He was elected with the support of all factions at the recent meeting of the People's Consultative Assembly, most of whose members are appointed. But it is a measure of the opaqueness of politics bere that until the last minute there remained the possibility that Mr. Subarto

My Assistant, Japan's Future Empress

#### **By Andrew Gordon**

D URHAM, North Carolina — This week, in prepara-tion for her June marriage to Crown Prince Naru-bito of Japan, Masako Owada begins classes at one of the

world's most exclusive finishing schools. During a six-week course in "princess studies" super-vised by the Imperial Household Agency. Miss Owada will be tutored in waka poetry and a few other subjects we neglected to teach her at Harvard.

When Miss Owada's engagement was announced in January, I was astonished and thrilled.

My former research assistant, more recently an officer in the Foreign Ministry, would someday be Japan's empress. And she would be the first monarch in the fabled bistory of the imperial line to have worked for an American professor for \$6 an bour. But unui a friend called from a Japanese media compa-

ny, it never occurred to me that my brief acquaintance with the future empress was a matter of public interest.

Masako-fever, my friend explained, was sweeping Japan and I was going to be famous. Never mind that I had employed Miss Owada for less than a semester, forget that I had not been in touch with her since she graduated (elearly a big mistake). The future princess's professor was big news in Japan. And sure enough, two days later Japanese reporters were in my office.

The fuss is understandable, particularly for a society that has bad an imperial monarchy for 1,500 years and that witnesses the marriage of an emperor or crown prince just once a generation.

But the curiosity goes beyond this: It is manufactured and sustained by a social system in which the imperial institution figures centrally. The monarchy reflects and shapes a broad range of ideas and behavior in Japan. Politically, the royal family plays a crucial role in

legitimizing foreign policy. The Japanese government used Emperor Hirohito's visits to the United States and Europe in the 1970s to help the country rejoin the West without seriously facing questions of responsibility for

the past. His bollow declarations lamenting the "unfortunate past" inoculated Japan from further discussion of its war history. More recently, Emperor Akihito performed a similar function in strengthening relations with China and South Korea.

Given these precedents, a charming crown princess fluent in English, versed in American ways and trained as a diplomat will play an important role in Japan's efforts to sustain economic power while avoiding conflicts with the rest of the world.

And her popularity will add legitimacy to such consti-tutionally dubions political uses of the monarchy. The primary effect of the royal engagement, however, will be social, not diplomatic. The imperial institution has

an extraordinary socializing power. In recent years, readers of Japan's enormously influential women's magazines have been subject to a stream of glowing tales of the marriage, pregnancy and motherhood of Princess Kiko, wife of the crown prince's brother.

The stories have been juxtaposed, not coincidentally, with accounts of the degenerate adventures of the British royals. Explicitly or implicitly, he message has been for women to accept existing domestic roles. Thus, despite speculation that the career-oriented Miss

Owada might be a force for social change in Japan, it is likely that her decision to marry the prince will have the opposite effect.

I hope I am wrong. I would like to believe that she made her own decision instead of capitulating, as rumors have it, to pressure from the government and the royal family. Masako Owada was, after all, a likable, extremely intelligent and thoughtful student.

Regardless of what led to the engagement, the message is clear. Toying with a career is O.K., but when duty calls, the interests of family and state are paramount and finding Mr. Right is what it's really all about.

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lim from Java, and be owed his rise in civilian politics through the governing party, Golkar. Next are the Muslims. The country harto enjoys springing surprises; it remains to be seen if Mr. Subarto will is going through a period of rising Muslim consciousness. An example is ICMI, an organization that brings delegate any power to Mr. Try. Vice together disparate groups. It is large-ly urban and gives political potential to such Muslim social organizations as the modernist but doctrinaire Muhammadiyah. Many see it as a Suharto creation to allow Muslims to let off steam. But there are more radical elements in the wings of this and other Islamic movements that could come to the fore if they can feed on

popular frustrations. The most virulent aspect of Islam has been reflected in some Christian cburch burnings in eastern Java. Many see these as aimed more at Chinese, many of whom are Chris-tians, than at the majority of Chris-tians who are pribumis. In any case, the last thing Indonesia needs is a confluence of antipathy toward the Chinese, who dominate the business community, and of anti-Christian, anti-foreign sentiment. That is more possibility than prob-

ability. At the grass-roots level, Islam is primarily represented by the traditionalist but pragmatic and tolerant Nahadatul Islam. It is not a party but a powerful force for the status quo and for the preeminence of Panca-sila, Indonesia's woolly hut tolerant

two tolerated "opposition" parties. As for the legislature, it remains to be is seen whether Mr. Suharto will allow it to become a forum for more debate and accountability, and hence a power

center in its own right. Many groups feel that political chaoge is needed if frustrations are not to grow. The most evident sign of unease is a sharp rise in anti-Chinese sentiment. This was caused in part by the rapid growth of Chinese business groups resulting from late 1980s fi-nancial-market liberalization and subsequent corporate scandals.

It has been exacerbated by current Indonesian Chinese enthusiasm for investing in China rather than in Indonesia. Anti-Chinese sentiment is a symptom, too, of a wider uncase about unequal wealth distribution, n, which often focuses on the acquisitiveness of Mr. Suharto's children. This angers not only believers in equality but pribumi businessmen, the World Bank, which is urging the abolition of monopolies that still bedevil major parts of the economy, and the Chinese, who get the blame for all capitalist evils. But it remains the president's blind spot and perhaps his only Achilles' heck

Even a well-managed transition will not be easy. Whoever succeeds Mr. Suharto will start with far less power than he enjoys after so long at the helm. The successor will have to give other state institutions a greater share of power. Mr. Subarto is not one for definitive statements. But a wide spread of Indonesian opinion -not least in the armed forces — would be happy to hear him say that this will be his last term, and that he will prepare the ground of succession by giving both Mr. Try and the legislature some real responsibility for maintaining progress and stability. International Herald Tribune.

## IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

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#### 1893: Bombing in Rome

ROME - While the Romans were NOME — while the romains wat nsing at six o'clock this morning [March 17] a bomb was exploded at the Palazzo Antici Mattei where Mr.

William Potter, the United States

Minister, byes. A stone starcase was

wrecked, all the windows were bro-

ken and many statues and ancient

bas-reliefs suffered. Minister Potter

was in bed and suffered a great fright.

The outrage was not directed against

the minister. It is surmised that per-

sonal vengeance was the motive or

that it was committed by anarchists.

PETROGRAD - Peace with the

Central Powers has been ratified by a

large majority. Lenin said: "We must know not only to attack, but also re-

treat, if the interests of the Russian revolution demand it. Those favoring

the revolutionary war now want the Soviet powers to fall into a trap. We are

too weak to establish complete social-

1918: Lenin's Retreat

ism. We do not say that the proletariat of Europe will use immediately following us, therefore we must retreat before the uprising comes. But when the labor-ing classes join us we shall make a second October revolution in Europe."

#### 1943: Farmers Deferred

WASHINGTON - From our New WASHINGTON - I rom our ivew York edition:] The Senate, by a vote of 50 to 24, passed today [March 17] the controversial Bankhead Bill to defer farm workers from the draft to avent a threatened food shortage. With the votes of 27 Republicans, 22 Democrats and one Progressive, the farm bloc won a resounding victory over the combined opposition of the administration and the War and Navy departments which saw in the measure a threat to plans to place 11,000,000 men in the armed forces by the end of 1943. Senators voted for the bill on the ground that President Roosevelt had the power to exempt farm workers but was permitting the nation to drift toward a food crisis. 

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**OPINION** 

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# **Contraception for Teens: Rebecca Makes the Case**

#### By George F. Will

Baltimore aged 15 to 17, almost all unmarried, gave birth. That is why in 1993 the city is embarking on a program to make Norplant, a long-term (five-year) contraceptive implant, available to teenage girls at school clinics and elsewhere.

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The case against the program can be put concisely: By substituting chemical protection for moral restraint, it sends a message of resignation regarding behavior once considered deviant and reprehensible but now redefined, in the name of "realism," as normal. The case for the program can be put

the case for the program can be put even more concisely: Rebecca. The is wearing sneakers, jeans and a lavender sweatshirt. She sniffles con-stantly, the consequence of a cold, or perhaps of the substance abuse (sniffing

More teenagers are having sex more often and at an earlier age; much of the increase has been among middle-class teens, most of them white.

apaint thinner, as well as using PCP and alcohol) that got her sent to a residential treatment center. There she heard about Norplant from a public-health official. Now at a hospital clinic, she is listening impassively as a nurse gives her all the information necessary for informed consent for the insertion in her upper arm. in a 10-minute procedure, of six matchstick-size capsules.

Rebecca (not her real name), has been sexually active for two years. She is told that the implant will not protect her until after her next period, which is two weeks away, and she is asked if she needs a supply of condoms for the interval. Oh. ves. she says emphatically. She is 13.

Now, consider some numbers provid-Ad hy Douglas Besharov and Karen Gardiner in The American Enterprise journal. This year, 10 million American teenagers will engage in 126 millions acts of sexual intercourse resulting in about 1 million pregnancies. 406.000 abortions, 134,000 miscarriages and 490,000 births, about 64 percent 4313,000) to unmarried mothers. In 1988. 11.000 American babies were born to mothers under 15. In 1990, 32 percent of ninth-grade girls (14- and 15-year-olds) had sexual intercourse. Seventeen percent of 12th-grade girls (17- and 18-year-olds) have had four or more part-

Such numbers suggest that any mes-sage communicated by a Norplant program will not have a measurable effect

BALTIMORE - Begin here: In on the mores of an age in which more 1990, nearly 10 percent of girls in teenagers are having sex more often and at an earlier age, and much of the increase has been among middle-class teenagers, most of them white. Rebecca, by the way, is white.

The question is how to limit the social costs of all this, given the fact that, in Mr. Besharov and Ms. Gardiner's words, "adolescents who cannot remember to hang up their bath towels may be just as un-likely to use contraceptives." Norplant is "tecnager proof" because it does not re-quire a daily action (as with the pill), foresight (as with a diaphragm), or a partners, conversion (as with conduct) partner's cooperation (as with condoms). Times have changed? Yes, but let's be clear about how. Forty years ago, teenage pregnancy rates were higher than today. However, most pregnancies occurred in, or were promptly followed by marriage. Few teenagers who become pregnant want to. (A study suggests that the "wantedness" rate is higher for whites than for blacks.) But for those who do become pregnant, incentives and social reinforcements are apt to be markedly different for whites and blacks.

A white suburban teenager who becomes pregnant is apt to get an abortion and go on to college. A black mner-city teenager's pregnancy is not apt to dis-rupt such expectations. Many inner-city Pyongyang's Nuclear Role North Korea's abrupt decision to reteenagers bave not seen a man in the role treat from the Nuclear Nonproliferation of economic and emotional provider for Treaty sounds ominous. Kim II Sung appears to be more dangerous than Sad-dam Hussein in barring the Internationa family. And given the savage harvest of homicide, drugs and jail, the cobort of marriageable inner-city males is small. Furthermore, the pregnant teenager is apt to have a supportive matriarchy to rely on if she decides to have the baby al Atomic Energy Agency from inspect-ing suspected underlared nuclear sites. Mr. Kim has made a political miscalculation if he has been motivated to help his son, Kim Jung II, by mobilizing pubresulting from the unwanted pregnancy. But the prospects for such babies are lic support through increasing internal at best problematic. Better that the un-

wanted pregnancy had not occurred. tension. Both father and son are on the And Norplant may be the most feasible wrong track of history. Their actions run counter to universal aspirations for a preventative. humanity free from nuclear threats. Norplant has been embroiled elsewhere in controversial welfare and crim-

or child abuse.

hould answer this:

South Korean ambassador to Senegal. Dakar. inal-justice policies raising questions of morally or legally dubious coercion. There have been proposals for monetary meentives or sanctions for unmarried Speak Up for Health Care The Clinton administration is workwelfare mothers to agree to implants.

ing on a proposal to Congress for the Judges bave proposed implants in lieu of prison for women convicted of drug first comprehensive national health care program in U.S. history. Past health But leaving aside the question of policies have excluded Americans living when it might be acceptable for society overseas. Do not allow that to happen to encourage Norplant use, Baltimore's this time. Make your voices heard, Exevolving program seems careful, consenpress your views by writing to: snal and needed. And those black activ-Hillary Rodham Clinton

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Presidential Committee on Health ists who profess to see Norplant as a ocidal" attack on black fertility Reform 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. What is more dangerous to the flour-Washington, D.C. 20500 ishing of black America, Norplant for Representative Thomas F. Foley teenagers or a growing number of black adolescents headed for a life in poverty Speaker, House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 because they were born into poverty to a Senator George J. Mitchell ingle mother whose life chances were blighted by a pregnancy at age 15? Senate Majority Leader Washington, D.C. 20510 Washington Post Writers Group.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

state representatives. PAUL J. ROSE.

Schopp, Germany. Secular, Not Atheistic

The map accompanying your article. "Balkan States Choose Sides. Trying to Contain the Crisis" (Feb. 22) refers to Albania as "officially atheistic." Official state atheism was a legacy of Enver Hoxha, the former dictator, that survived his death in 1985. But the Law on the Main Constitutional Provisions, which has served as an interim constitution since May 1991, declares Albania to be a "secular state" and establishes "respect for freedom of religious faith" and the exercise thereof.

DONN RUBIN. Tirana, Albania. **Rushdie Litmus Test** 

If it happens that some addled, obsessive, "Im-gona-murder-my-way-into-beaven-AND-be-a-millionaire" assassin finds Salman Rushdie, that author may take some comfort in knowing that he is not being sacrificed at the altar of any angry god but simply being murdered by a brutish assembly of selfish, demented hoods who seem to become unhinged at the sound of a harmless laugh.

If you ask anyone, "Do you think Salman Rushdie should die for his novel?" and detect even a fraction of fudge in their reply, anything like, "Well, you know, it was naughty of him to have done it," or "Well, after all, he is arrogant," or "Well, you and I may be tolerant but some people hold these things to

Do not forget to send copies to your be ... " and so forth: if anyone dares to give you anything less than a fearless and forthright, outraged, indignant, al-mighty and all-righteous "NO!" — then believe me, mate, rest assured, you are talking to a loon.

BILL KILPATRICK. Sarteano, Italy.

#### The Promise of Life

Regarding the series "Third World, Second Cluss" (Feb. 15-19):

Our daughter, Caitlin, was born in the back seat of our Volkswagen 10 minutes short of the hospital. As her second birthday approaches, in her and around her we see the promise and hope of life renewed and life renewable.

It was with a rare and deep sorrow that we read of the murder of little girls in cultures driven, for whatever reasons, 10 horrible desperation, I wish we could bring all these children here through some gentle magic to sleep in the glow we see nightly around Caitlin's bed.

BRAD WRIGHT. St-Nom-la-Breieche, France.

#### A Gay Brigade

African-Americans and Japanese-Americans have proved their valor in war. It seems only natural to continue in the same vein and form a gay brigade. Of course, they will have to accept insulting behavior from fellow soldiers. but certainly nothing worse than the blacks and niser suffered. JOEL SAVITZ.

Leysin, Switzerland.

# For the Mountain Gorillas, Survival Is in the Balance

#### By H. Dieter Steklis

slowly, knowing the gorillas were near. just beyond the green tangle of thistle and nettle in front of me.

Suddenly, the wall of vegetation exploded as Bilbo. a silver-back male, thundered toward me, sending me flying backward, tumhling head over heels to the bottom of this large salad bowl. I lay laughing uncontrollably, heady from the adrenaline pumping through

#### MEANWHILE

me, happy to have survived, albeit ungracefully, my first encounter with one of the Karisoke Research Center's groups of mountain gorillas in Rwanda. Apparently my sudden appearance was as surprising to Bibo, who had been

feeding on vegetation, as his appearance was to me, causing us both to respond instinctually with fear. Despite this mauspicious encounter.

in a few days Bilbo accepted me into his

#### **U.S. Extraterritoriality**

Regarding "IRS Grants Tax-Nonfilers Overseas \$70,000 Exclusion for Past Years" (March 9) by Robert C. Siner: I am indignant that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service is insisting that Americans who have not made past IRS declarations should be treated as guilty of a serious crime, but pardonnable, if they will only submit to the administrative process. This amounts to an amnesty. It doesn't matter if the United States is the only major country to tax its citizens' foreign-carned income, What matters is that it thinks it has the right to do so. Is

the extraterritoriality of U.S. law, as manifested in this instance, based upon defensible jurisprudence? I think not. A. MacDOWELL

#### Neuilly-sur-Seine, France. Switzerland and Space

Regarding "European Topics" (Feb. 25), Switzerland has been a member of the European Space Agency since the beginning, more than 25 years ago, and participates in space research programs with the agency's other member states. Swiss industry and universities have contributed to agency programs and Swiss nationals are represented among

staff at its various installations. Membership in the European Econom-ic Area, the European Free Trade Association or the European Community is not a prerequisite nor an automatic entitlement to membership in the space agency. KURT HEFTMAN. European Space Agency. Paris.

N EW BRUNSWICK, New Jersey – group. I was another researcher, an ob-ject of occasional curiosity, a strange ject of occasional curiosity, a strange distant relative to be tolerated, to be granted the privilege of honorary gorilla group membership.

I understood then, as I do now with : months of membership under my belt, that this privilege, extended to me and all researchers, had been hard-won. It resulted from a trust between mountain gorilla and human, first estab-lished by Dian Fossey, who was mysteri-

ously slain in 1985, and cemented hy the: many who have braved the high, damp Virunga volcanoes to walk in her steps. Today, that hard-carned trust is in

jeopardy and the lives of the wild mountain gorillas hang in the balance. Since Feb. 8, the Parc National des Volcans in the northwestern corner of Rwanda, home to half of the world's population of mountain gorillas, has become a zone of combat between the invading Rwandan Patriotic Front and government forces.

For the first time since its establishment by Ms. Fossey in 1967, the Karithe Research Center (operated by the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund in Denver and Londont stands empty. Its programs leading to the protection and conservation of the mountain gorilla and its unique ecosystem are suspended.

On Feb. 13, Karisoke researchers and administrative staff were evacuated. It was a poignant moment, as we left behind our brave Rwandan staff members. who pledged to remain to carry on the all-important anti-poaching patrols and contact with the gorilla groups.

Less than a week later the patrols stopped. Despite assurances by anti-government forces that Karisoke would remain untouched, troops came, shooting out windows, hreaking down doors, Our staff narrowly escaped into the

forest. Valuable equipment and supplies were looted. They can be replaced. Structures can be rebuilt in a few weeks. But the potential damage to the gorilla . population is not so easily repaired.

population is not so easily repaired. With only 600 to 50 mountain goril-las left in the world, we cannot turn our backs for a moment.

da, Uganda and Zaire, hut it does not belong to any country. It is a world resource and the international commush şhnity must work jointly to preserve it. Conserving this species and us habitat ias ed

depends on finding a way, perhaps through the United Nations, to buffer the gorillas from the dangerous instability of shifting national politics.

l am afraid that our not-so-distant relatives are not high on the world's agenda of problems to solve. Yet the mountain gorilla needs help urgenily. L for one, do not want to break the hard-earned trust.

The writer, a professor of anthropology of Rurgers, directs the Karisoke Research Center in Rwanda. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.



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# **Yeltsin Aides Urge Hard Line Against Rebellious Congress**

By Margaret Shapiro Washington Post Service

MOSCOW - Advisers to President Boris N. Yeltsin urged him Wednesday to take "extremely tough measures," including the imposition of presidential rule, to end Russia's debilitating political crisis, according to his spokesman.

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The spokesman, Vyacheslav Kostikov, said the Presidential Council told Mr. Yeltsin that he had the "moral and constitutional" right to introduce presidential rule after Russia's conservative Congress reiected all efforts at compromise last week and instead went after Mr. Yeltsin's powers and reforms.

The council is a group of senior politicians, academ-ics and analysts on the liberal side of Russia's political spectrum. Its recommendation was the third such toughly worded response in as many days to the Congress of People's Deputies, a Soviet-era body dominated by former Communists, hard-line nationalists and centrists. Mr. Yeltsin accused the Congress on Tuesday of trying to reinstitute Communist rule. Mr. Kostikov made a similar accusation Monday.

It is unclear if this drumbeat of accusations is intended to prepare Russians for the introduction of presidential rule, in which Mr. Yeltsin would disband the Congress and presumably rule by decree, or whether it is designed to frighten the legislative oppo-sioon and make it more amenable to compromise.

Mr. Yeltsin has come under criticism for failing to respond aggressively to moves by anti-reform critics, and he appears determined to try to rectify that.

Boris Grushin, one of the two dozen people attending the Presidential Council meeting with Mr. Yeltsin. said there was a consensus that efforts at compromise with the Congress "have not produced any effect." "Everyone agreed that it was necessary to replace

the previous soft attitude toward the opposition with a more rigid one," he said.

He said that while almost all the members favored disbanding the Congress and introducing rule by decree, only two wanted Mr. Yeltsin to take such an action immediately. Mr. Grushin, head of the VoxPopuli polling agency, said everyone else suggested that Mr. Yeltsin make a series of proposals to the Congress for resolving the power struggle and then, if rejected, declare presidential rule.

The Russian leader, Mr. Grushin said, seemed determined to reassert his authority and was in an upbeat mood during the meeting, "Yeltsin understood that the moment had come for decisive action," he said

Mr. Yeltsin agreed to go on television in the next few days to explain the political crisis. Mr. Grushin said, and offer his own proposals for sweetening his economic reforms.

Among them might be to allow federal lands to be converted immediately into private property and to ease some taxes. The Congress, and the smaller standing parliament selected from among Congress deputies, has slowed the transition to private property.

Mr. Yeltsin also called for stronger military and economic ties among the t0 former republics of the Soviet Union who are now members of the loosely organized Commonwealth of Independent States. In a statement read by Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev, Mr. Yeltsin said the alliance had been "unable to fulfill the hopes invested in it."

The statement seemed designed in part to defuse growing public concern at the lack of order at Russia's borders. Ethnic and religious flare-ups have created a half-dozen small wars in the former union, while broken economic ties have further burt Russia's hardpressed economy.

# In Madcap Insurrection, Newspaper Imitates City

By Howard Kurtz Bushington Past Service

NEW YORK - Pete Hamill, the ousted editor of the New York Post, walked triumphantly into the storied newsroom here, raised his right fist and, like a deposed general, reclaimed his old office.

The room erupted in cheers. Never mind that Abe Hirschfeld, the eccentric multimillionaire who now owns the tabloid, had sent Mr. Hamill packing five days earlier This was nothing less than a coup, and Mr. Hamill was "Yeltsin standing on a typewriter." as the columnist Jack Newfield put it. The paper, everyone agreed, belonged to its long-suffering staff, not to Mr. Hirschfeid. "The man hasn't shown his face on this floor yet," Mr.

Hamil said. "I don't advise him to. To have a paper that's lasted two centuries - to think it could be killed at a whim, by someone who ought to be presented at a compe

tency hearing, is an outrage." With that, the veteran newspaperman turned around and hung a picture of his beloved 1955 Brooklyn Dodgers on the wall. He exchanged bear hugs with beaming staff-ers. Reporters gave each other high fives. Pete was back

and anything was possible. Mr. Hamill said he had had no choice but to return after

picking up that morning's Post. In a move that would have meant certain arrest in totalitarian regimes, the paper contained page after page of personal attacks on Mr. Hirschfeld and his designated editor, Wilbert Tatum. The front page featured a sketch of Alexander Hamilton, the Post's founder, with a tear rolling down his cheek. And inside, the masthead reflected

the mutiny: it said "Pete Hamili, Editor in Chief." "When I saw that front page, I felt like weeping myself," said Mr. Hamili, 57, as dozens of reporters cheered his words. It was, he said, "an act of journalistic courage unprecedented in this century."

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He said he was "taking the position that I have a contract with the New York Post, and we're going to put out the New York Post."

And where was Mr. Hirschfeld during this insurrection? His visage soon appeared on the newsroom's TV set. He was, incredibly, holding up the paper that was calling him a "nut" and a "liar" and praising its creativity.

Mr. Hirschfeld turned to a picture of himself kissing Mr. Tatum and said it was a wonderful thing when "you see two people, black and Jew, kissing one another." A genial-sounding Mr. Hirschfeld later boasted to re-porters, "I don't think anybody in history has had 10 pages in the New York Post." Besides, he said, taking over the Post would make him "one of the three or four most powerful men in the country."

powerful men in the country. The Post's staff, which has faced oblivion time and again, was delirioss. "This is like Prague Spring in '68," said Marvin Smilon, a court reporter. "I just hope it doesn't end with the tanks rolling in." The 400,000-circulation Post filed for bankruptcy pro-

tection Monday. The paper is down to 11 rolls of film, and the photo department doesn't have the funds to buy cha icals to develop its pictures.

"We are in imminent danger of shutting down nuless we can get belp quickly." said Steve Cuozzo, the executive editor.

Mr. Hirschfeld, 73. a parking-garage magnate, took control of the Post at a bankruptcy court hearing Friday. Mr. Hirschfeld promptly dismissed the popular Mr. Hamill and 72 other staff members -- later rehining 50 -- and announced that the Post would be rur. by Mr. Tatum, publisher of the Amsterdam News, New York's largest black newspaper.

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Mr. Hirschfeld's ascent prompted a staff revolt that blocked publication of Monday's paper and turned Tnesday's edition into a college sophomore's fantasy of re-venge. Senior editors expected Mr. Hirschfeld to stop the presses after the first edition, but he did not. Nor has he moved to assert any control over his rebellious troops. The paper Tuesday assailed Mr. Hirschfeld and Mr. Tatum as the "Hate Twins." Terrible Two" and "A Force

for Evil" (subtlety is not highly valued in tabloid land). Mr. Hirschfeld has gone back and forth on his plans for

the paper. He said Monday that he might give it up if Governor Mario M. Chomo found new investors, but on Tuesday he said he had no such plans. He said he had put \$500,000 into the bank Tuesday night to cover the payroll,

Mr. Tatum, meanwhile, was castigated as "Hate 'En-Tatum." Various articles attacked the Amsterdam News" as anti-Semitic, a charge that Mr. Tatum strongly denies. "Tatum's Paper 'Fans Race Hatred," one headline de-clared

Mr. Tatum did not return two phone calls to his Amsterdam News office, but he told WCBS-TV that Post staffers, despite their liberal legacy, "have revealed them-selves as tiny, little, vindictive, awful people."

## **India** Puts Security Forces on Wider Alert

By Edward A. Gargan

New York Turnes Service NEW DELHI — After a wave of bombings in Bombay and Calcutta. India is jittery over the possibility of new acts of terrorism, particularly here in the capital.

Security at Parliament and other government huildings, the airport, train stadons, newspaper offices and public places such as marken, and movie theaters were increased Police patrols were more numerous on the capital's streets, and paramilitary forces could be seen in some parts of the city.

Although the explosion early Wednesday in Calcutta came on the heels of the terrorist bombings in Bombay last week, the police in that eastern city now say that the blast there was evidently unrelated to the Bombay ones.

The blast in Calcutta, which ripped through a poor, congested residential area near the furniture manufacturing area called Bowba-zoar just after midnight, killed at least 60 people and wounded more than 100. Forensic experts from Bombay flew to Calcutta to determine whether there was any similarity with the Bombay blasts, in which high-powered plastic explo-sives packed into automobiles and motor scooters were used.

Despite the proximity in time with the Bombay explosions, the Calcutta police said that they be-. lieve that underworld figures were fied Task Force early Thursday using the apartment building in Bowbazaar as a bomb factory and that the explosion may have been an accident. A senior police official in Calcut-ta told the Reuters news agency that investigators were inclined to think that the explosion was accidental because if the intent had been to kill large numbers of peo-ple, a bomb in the area would have been detonated during the day instead of shortly after midnight when the streets were virtually empty. "That gives us the primary impression that the explosion was of an accidental nature rather than a purposeful one," the official said. At least two men have been arrested in connection with the explosion, both of whom the police said were active in the city's criminal underworld. Local police said the area around Bowbazaar was known as a bangout for gangsters. In Bombay, the police arrested two more people in connection with last Friday's bombings,

Japan Bends on Aid to Russia

#### By Paul Blustein

Washington Past Service TOKYO - Japan, which has resisted calls to provide large-scale aid to Russia, plans to invite foreign ministers of the Group of Seven to Tokyo next month to discuss an aid package for Moscow, officials said .Wednesday.

The invitation, which will probably also go to the finance ministers of the the seven leading industrialized countries, reflects the heavy pressure Japan is facing to be more forthcoming on Russian aid because of the deteriorating political and economic situation in Moscow.

The move is aimed partly at deflecting a French call for an emergency meeting of G-7 leaders on assistance to Russia, Japan will host a G-7 annual meeting in July, and officials here were distressed at a demand by President François Mitterrand of France that the leaders convene earlier to help Boris N. Yeltsin, the Russian president,

Japanese officials were angered at Mr. Mitterrand's call in Moscow for an early G-7 summit conference, especially since he suggested that Paris might be host of the gathering in Japan's stead if Tokyo was negative about helping Moscow,

"Japan cannot understand France's offer to bost the summit," said a cabinet spokesman. "Japan is keenly concerned about the question of how to assist Russia effectively.

Hisashi Owada, the deputy foreign minister, is to discuss idea of a ministerial meeting Thursday in Washington with Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher and other U.S. policymakers. Mr. Owada will then go to Europe for possible consultations with other G-7 members. Besides the United States, Japan and France, the G-7 comprises Britain, Germany, Italy and Canada.

"It may be difficult to finalize" an aid package by next month. a Japanese official said. "But we plan to discuss a grand idea" for assisting Moscow that was considered at a lower-level meeting in Hong Kong. Participants at the weekend meeting said they were

leaning toward "visible" forms of aid such as direct assistance for Russians out of work because of economic restructuring. Until recently, Japan refused to provide anything

more than modest amounts of humanitarian and technical aid to Moscow because Russia condnues to hold four islands off of Japan's northern coast that were seized by the Soviet Union at the end of World War II, Tokyo has been criticized for neglecting its responsibility as an economic superpower to help Russia shift from communism to democracy and capitalism. A year and a half ago, Japan began showing more flexibility, chipping in about \$2.5 hillion in trade credits and insurance, plus other forms of aid, as its share of a \$24 hillion G-7 aid package for Russia.

Now the pressure on Tokyo is higher than ever hecause of the threat posed by conservative forces to Mr. Yeltsin's leadership and economic reforms.

While Tokyo officials maintain their position on the Kuril Islands has not changed, they say a Japanese contribution to a "multilateral" aid plan is acceptable, as opposed to bilateral assistance.

The officials said they are fairly confident the Clinton administration would back the plan for a ministerial meeting.

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on Thursday and that a decision would then be made on whether to abandon the conference.

of Kismayu become available. Leonard Kapungo, director of the UN's Committee of National offensive. Reconciliation, told diplomats be would brief Somali faction leaders

hours. "All faction leaders have agreed to condemn those who are condemned by the facts," he said, re-

fled. The U.S. military has accused one warlord, General Mohammed UN-sponsored talks in Addis Aba-Said Hersi Morgan, of trying to ba into confusion with rival groups ferring to conflicting accounts of a derail peace talks in Addis Ababa trading accusations of cease fire vi-

# A survivor sitting amid rabble from the Calcutta explosion in which several of his friends were killed. At least 60 people died in the blast.

ADDIS ABABA. Ethiopia -The United Nations suspended Somalia conciliation talks on Wednesday until details of renewed fighting in the southern port

**UN Suspends Somali Conciliation Talks** one militia managed to launch the U.S. officials said General Mor-

gan's men had mingled with wom-The U.S. military spokesman, en and children to infiltrate parts Colonel Fred Peck, said that the of the city controlled by Colonel

force started deploying on Wedness. Jess. day afternoon and all that the They then launched a lightning troops. would. arrive...within 24 attack and Colonel Jess's followers-

hy attacking the forces of a rival olations.

Mr. Kapungo said he would re-ceive a full briefing from the Uni-

News of the fighting threw the

the UN's findings. The Somali National Alliance

statement called on the U.S.-led

multinational force in Somalia to

declare General Morgan a bandit.





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cease-fire violation in the city on warlord, Ahmed Omar Earlier, Somalia's most powerful Tuesday. warlord, General Mohammed Far-The Aidid-dominated Somali rah Aidid, and his allies pulled out National Alliance said UN troops and then would convene a meeting

of the talks after their supporters had failed to take action to stop of all 16 factions represented in were driven out of Kismayu by militiamen loyal to General Mor- Addis Ababa and inform them of gan attacking followers of Colonel Omar Jess, an ally of General Aigunmen loyal to a rival warlord. The United States is sending a quick reaction force of 500 men did. Details of what happened in Kis-mayu on Tuesday were sketchy, hut

and 13 helicopters to restore order in Kismayu and investigate how

#### KOHL: Suffering by Comparison **KOREA:**

nearly \$1 trillion over the next decade and a half. But, largely because be began by proposing cuts in welfare and unemployment benefits just as steelworkers and others were losing their jobs at a record pace, the debate in Germany has degenerated into a clash between poor and rich, between West German haves and Eastern

have-nots. According to recent polls, Mr. Kohl's Christian Democratic-Free Democratic coalition - which was re-elected by a handsome majority in 1990 when reunification seemed a dream just come true - would not be returned to office if there were an election today. A survey in January by the Al-

lensbach Institute found that 48 percent of the 2,264 people questioned were concerned that politicians could not handle the country's most serious problems, and 53 percent were worried about the a consent spread of far-rightist extremism.

spread of far-rightist extremism. Much of the public doubt has come from the government's seem-reunification. They decided that ing inability to do anything about a cuts in welfare and unemployment flood of asylum-seekers from the benefits would not be necessary. Balkans and elsewhere. Last year, when nearly 450,000 arrived, some

rightists took the law into their own hands. In 2,200 attacks, 10 Ger-mans and 7 foreigners died.

After bickering for years about whether a change in the country's constitution was necessary to stem the influx of asylum-scekers, the coalition parties and the Social Democratic opposition agreed late last year to eliminate the constitutional guarantee of asylum to any refugee who asks for it. But the change is still being debated in the legislature, and 74,350 more asyhum-seekers poured in during the first two months of this year. Just the exhaustion of facing the same parties in power too long may be another reason for the demoralization. But the most important factor is probably the recession, which is steadily deepening in Ger-many just as the United States has finally begun to poll out of it.

One major reason is that Germany, which all its partners thought would pull them along into a boom thest reaches, flying the final 50 or ters. The Dutch police even discov-after reunification in 1990, has 60 miles in a straight line. The re- ered that drug dealers were using slumped instead. cord flight by a U.S. Army Signal pigeons to transport their wares.

(Continued from page 1) Bankers and opposition politi-reunification, which is estimated at class all agree that the slump was 'Backdoor' Talks (Continued from page 1) nel" meetings in Beijing for about the unexpectedly high costs of re-mification, forcing the Bundes-bank to raise interest rates to prethree years. Reports on Korea's KBS public television network said such a meeting was held Wednes-day to discuss the nuclear inspec-

vent inflation. According to a recent report by Smithers & Co., a British financial tion crisis. One of the key reasons that North Korea cited for its withconsulting concern, the German government deficit, officially estidrawal from the nonproliferation treaty was the current "Team Spirmated at 3 percent of gross nation-al product, or \$58.8 billion, is actually higher - perhaps 8 percent to 9 percent of GNP when borrowing war games that U.S. and South Korean soldiers are carrying out in South Korea. The North called the by the railroad and other such govexercises "nuclear war mancuvers." ernment agencies is considered.

"Team Spint" is scheduled to end Friday, and if all the extra U.S. troops brought here for the exercise Western Germany will have to subsidize the East for decades with \$60 billion to \$80 billion a year. according to German estimates. Mr. Kohl's government will have to leave, that should calm the North Koreans somewhat, Seoul officials raise taxes to provide the money. said Wednesday. South Korean diplomats were also cheered by and investment funds will be China's involvement. "China is the SCarce.

chief supplier of energy supplies and food imports for North Ko-rea," said Kim Kyun Won, a for-Ou Monday, leaders of Germa-ny's major political parties reached sus on the need for a 7.5 mer South Korean ambassador to the United States. "With the serious economic problems in the North, the dependence on China is Increasing.

## **PIGEONS:** Civilian Carriers Now

Corps pigeon was 2.300 miles, and in France the birds travel up to (Continued from page 1) sport in the hands of the federation 1.000 kilometers (620 miles) in less ather than the government, althan a day.

though pigeon owners will still be required to give information to the Defense Ministry. Sergeant Pessel, whose father War II was so rapid that the French were never able to make use of their carefully laid network of pigeon and grandfather also flew pigeons, communications. But British and described the racing birds as beau-American aircraft regularly paratiful, clean and "mysterious" creachuted pigeons to Resistance fighttures that are affectionate and loyal ers, who then sent them back with both to their handlers and to their vital intelligence. partners, to whom their monogamous attachment is well known.

France employed the birds in the Indochinese and Algerian conflicts, Before a mission or a race, hanthen began disbanding its pigeon dlers separate the birds, and make units in the 1960s. the males so lovesick or jealous that But pigeons here and there still their only instinct is to head straight home and sort out their have their uses - for instance, shutding urgent medical samples domestic affairs. Guided by the

from an Atlantic island to a labora-Earth's magnetism and the sun's tory on the French mainland, a position, experienced birds can find their way back from the far- distance of more than 40 kilome**COLONY: Beijing Threat** 

(Continued from page 1)

through the history of Hong Kong," and he blamed Britain for "closing the door" on negotiations between Britain and China. But investors had been expecting bad news and even barsher words.

Instead, Mr. Lu said that China would not take back Hong Kong before 1997, and he did not repeat a past Chinese threat to dishonor commercial contracts that straddle the transition.

Mr. Lu said that if Mr. Patten continued to press ahead with his proposals to make Hong Kong more democratic, China would be gin making preparations for "setting up a new kitchen." This is a Chinese idiom meaning to make a The German advance in World fresh stari, and Mr. Lu apparently meant that China was prepared to form a new government and replace the existing Hong Kong executive and legislative bodies after it takes over in 1997.

■ Patten's Response

Mr. Patten said Wednesday that he was not concerned by China's intention to form its own post-1997 government for Hong Kong if it meant that Beijing would finally come up with proposals on electoral change, Agence France-Presse reported from Hong Kong.

"I by this afternoon's statement," he said, "it means that we're going to hear Chinese proposals on the electoral arrangements for District Boards and the Legislative Council, then that would be a very welcome breakthrough."

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us forget that our ancestors were fishes, but among biologists the debate over exactly which class of ancient fish was closest to our forebears remains a hotly disputed topie. Was it the coelacanth or the lungfish that was more closely related to the family tree of fourlimbed vertebrates that led to buman beings?

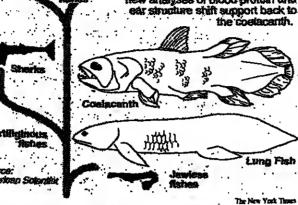
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Some new laboratory and fossil evidence seems to favor the coelacanth. Far from settling the controversy, however, the latest discoveries have inflamed it.

in recent years, the preponderance of expert opinion has shifted toward the lungfish as the closest relative of the tetrapods, a group that includes amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including our-selves. But new analyses of blood proteins and ear structures of present-day lungfish and coelecanths have convinced some scientists that the coelacanth is closer.

The first invasion of land by aquatic vertebrates nearly 400 million years ago was a momentous act in evolutionary history. It required the colonists to adopt new modes of locomotion, major changes in their organs of vision and hearing, and a new beliows apparatus for drawing oxygen from air, augment-ing or replacing the gill system used by fish to draw oxygen from water. No one can be certain which group or groups of fishes was the first to make the transition to land, or what their evolutionary pathways may have been. Nevertheless, the lungfish and the coelacanths

Which type of itsh was most closely ed to the first land vertebr The traditional view, shown at telt, Lung Fish holds that it was the live foot long contecenth. Other scientists suggest that it was a longfish. Now ew analyses of blood protein and



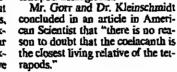
each have their scientific partisans. have died out about 80 million Lungfish are slim, cel-like fish years ago, until a living coelacanth ith air-breathing lungs as well as was caught off the South African with air-breathing lungs as well as gills, and four filamentary fins they use to feel out their surroundings. Fossil lungfish are found in sedicoast in 1938. Its identification as a "living fossil" caused a scientific sensation. Since then, several hunments more than 400 million years dred coelacanths have been caught old, and modern ones live in freshin waters near the Comoro Islands, water streams and lakes in South although none has survived the experience, and some scientists fear America, Africa and Australia,

on the ocean bottom and rarely, if ever, approach the surface.

lo trying to decipher the evolution of tetrapods from fish, scientists face formidable problems. The transition from water to land occurred long ago, and various family trees suggested by the fossil record are so langled that scientists ac knowledge they may never he able to sort them out definitively.

Recent debate has focused on the work of two German scientists. Thomas Gorr and Dr. Traute Kleinschmidt, both of the Max Planck Institute for Biochemistry at Martinsried, Germany. They recently recalculated their earlier (and highly controversial) analyses of the blood hemoglobin of 522 marine and land-dwelling animals, and concluded that there is a close chemical match between one component of the coelacanth's blood hemoglobin and its corresponding component in tadpole blood.

From Vivienne Westwood, elegance with fake fur, at left; Valentino pantsuit and lingerie gown with sequined the. The match, they reported, was not nearly as good between the coelacanth and an adult frog, however. The implication of this discovery, Mr. Gorr said in an interview, is that the metamorphosis of a tadpole into a frog not only recapitulates the gross physical changes the fish underwent as they evolved into air-breathing tetrapods, but also recapitulates the molecular changes from fish hemoglobin to tetrapod hemoglobin.



Coelacanths, with a similarly an-they are about to become truly ex-cient pedigree, were believed to tinct. These predators, about five

# **Assisted Suicide: Is It Ever Right?**

#### By Jane E. Brody New York Times Service

EW YORK - As an uostoppable cancer ravaged my mother's 49-year-old body, she tried twice to hasten her inevitable death, first by slashing her wrists and then by swallowing rubbing alcohol. Both times she was "rescued," forcing her to suffer further unreleating insults to ber once stalwart figure and boundless energy. Uoable to retain food, she with-

ered to 65 pounds (30 kilos), half her original weight, all the while yearning to be out of her misery.

But instead of heeding her demonstrated wish to die and easing her way with, say, an overdose of sleeping pills, at her doctor's request we allowed her to serve as a test animal" for possible new drugs against her kind of cancer. causing her to suffer further from the toxic effects of the medications. It seemed altruistic, even noble,

have tended for months or years. Now, rather than continuing to risk prosecution; many are asking that doctor-assisted suicides be legalized in certain well-defined instances.

Advocates emphasize that be-· The request for doctor-assisted cause it is predicated on a request suicide must be made clearly and from the patient, doctor-assisted repeatedly and emanate from the suicide is quite different from acpatient's own free will rather than tive enthanasia, in which a doctor come from a family member or or nurse might decide to end a surrogate or even from a directive patient's suffering, even when the the patient prepared in advance of patient has not sought such intervention. Still, there is a real fear • The patient's judgment must not be distorted by depression or some other reversible mental disorthat sanctioning assisted suicides

might lead to abuse. For example, instimutions or in-surers forced to sustain waning der which, if treated, might change the patient's perspective on a desire lives at exorbitant cost might be to die. For example, relief of detempted to use assisted suicide to. control costs. Another concern is that patients who cannot speak for themselves or fully comprehend their circumstances might be coerced into choosing death rather tionship with the patient and can than becoming burdens on their families or society.

 A consulting doctor should • The patient must be assured of concur that "the patient's request is adequate "comfort care" so that a voluntary and rational, the diagnodecision to die is not influenced hy a fear or experience of suffering that sis and prognosis accurate, and the exploration of comfort-oriented alcan be relieved by less drastic action. ternatives thorough."

• The patient, the doctor and the consultant must each sign a consent form attesting to the fact that the above cooditions have been satisfied.

In an interview, Dr. Quill emhasized: "Each person has his or ber own definition of what is tolerable. The natient is the expert on his own circumstances."

As he and his collaborators wrote in the journal, "The most frightenpression in severely handicapped physical pain but the prospect of patients may allow them to see losing control and independence things that are worth bying for. ing aspect of death for many is not • The doctor involved should be aesthetic, absurd and existentially one who has had a meaningful rela- unacceptable condition,

This is how my mother died, and fully understand why the patient 35 years later I still regret that we considers death the best option. did oot let ber choose her own way.

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribune ARIS - A preity Valentino show brought the collections hack to normality Wednesday as conturiers took

were, down and out in a seedy music hall, watching Jean Colonna's scruffy models, cigarettes in hand, wearing down-and-dirty leatherette jackets, seams scarring the outside. Then suddenly it was the Valentino show at the Louvre with a model openiog a fancy bathrobe to show a whole Trevi fountain of chiffon ruffles.

Never have the Paris shows seemed so surreal, as we move from Vivienne Westwood's haute camp into the haute couture camp. So it's chalk and brie in Paris? Gallic grunge vs. couture chic? Not quite. For the uptown designers

are smart enough to go with the flow. Valentino added a few specks of grunge in his mix of check and fleck tweeds; he had a dash of the hippies in his folkloric flower-patterned jackets. But basically he just made a very good joh of softening up his silhouette and lengthening skirts without making anything lonk dull and drab. The hathrobe coat - a soft jacket. gentle at the shoulders and sashed at the waist was his replacement for firm tailoring. He had a lot of pants, but tackled the bemline problem with gusto. His over-the-knee skirts were wrapped into a frill at the rear or fluted above the calf. They are not for everyone, but they worked and for ladylike customers they took the sternness out of long skirts.

Valentino tried his hand at modern fashion - in his way. There were new skinny long coats with the ruffled pants peeking through; the long look was elegant for a paisley bathrobe or an eloogated knitted cardigan over soft pants.

There was a touch of costume-party romance in a blouse with waterfall frills, There is, after all, a customer out there for

real clothes; even for lingeric evening gowns with ruffles, lace and the tagliatelli of decoration reheated from Valentino's January couture. Even, maybe, for sparkling evening sweaters, with patterns of snowflakes and reindeer, which Valentino said at the post-show lunch, were inspired by ski sweaters he found in

The designer also threw in a few specks of grunge and a dash of hippie.

Gstaad. He sent them out with frilled chiffon pants. As the logo at the back of runway said: Very Valentino.

Givenchy's small show at the George V hotel contained several endangered species. Let's start with a woman's knees that elsewhere were under wraps. There they were, a pair of them, under a short, girlish, full-skirted cocktail dress. There were even shoes, in a season where most designers are showing everything from day through night with befty boots. The Save-Our-Suits Society can count oo Givenchy. He sent out matching skirts and jackets, the firm tailoring softened a touch with deep-pile corduroy. You want regular pants, instead of floppy flares? Here they were, slim and cuffed. They looked the height of casual elegance in black velvet with a matching calf-length cardigan. Westwood has a mission: to bring back the

elegance that drowned under a tide of street fashion. She told us so in a program disserta-tion. But on the runway it seemed like more of

her usual subversive romp with Scotch-on-thefrocks outlits mixing in plaids and argyle leggings and the models testering (Naomi Camp-bell fell over) on Westwood's trademark vertiginous platform-sole shoes. The models camped up couture with (fake) fur stoles, a sweeping camel cape or a towering husby hat Among the parade of waltzing ballgowns was a body-molding sheath that looked for all the world like a condom. Curving knitwear, with sly slits at the cleav-

age or made in glitter knit, had a touch of French elegant nonchalance. And underneatb all the high jinks, Westwood's complex plaid jackets and bustle-back skirts are not so very far from the grand old days of Dior's haute conture

ESTWOOD was right to claim in her program notes that the British have historically had a strong influence on fashion. But John Richmond, a British designer showed for the

sb first time in Paris on Wednesday and there was nothing much new, except for dark velvets worked in William Morris prints, which look set for another fashion flowering. That is part ied of the 1970s theme that Richmond concentratipi ed on too much. His hias-cut dresses over visible panties were a British first --- when we

saw them from Joho Galliano two years ago For all the in-your-face uglioess of Colonna s clothes, the designer who has made leatherette and outside seams his trademark was trained in athaute conture and he is a fine cutter. His tweed jackets may have a safety pin skewering the back, but they fall in a precise proportion. A mole-brown velvet vest (all designers are into brown and velvet) is made in a complex jiesaw puzzle of pieces. His dresses with blooms flow-ering from a dismal background had, a sour romance.

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at the time, but in retrospect it was cruel and inhuman punishment to a dignified woman who had already served society as an inspiring teacher for 32 years.

When my mother died in 1958, no health professional would have openly helped her to end her life. Today doctor-assisted suicide is a subject of vigorous debate, nation-al headlines and state legislation. Extremists on both sides - Dr. Jack Kevorkian of Michigan and his suicide machine and the Hemlock Society's published prescrip-tions for self-destruction on the one side and fundamentalist religious groups and traditional medical ethcists on the other - have galvanized feelings on an issue that de-serves more rational consideration.

The importance of the issue will loom even larger as medicine continues to devise ways to prolong life, at least as it is biologically defined, and as health-care costs at the end of life continue to zoom into the stratosphere.

Society at least partly sanctions two forms of what might be called doctor-assisted deaths, steps that basten the end for terminally ill people. One is the withholding of people. One is the within and of treatment, including breathing as-sistance and tube feeding; the other is the administration of high doses of narcotics to relieve pain or other symptoms. But for a doctor to actively help a patient die is outlawed in 37 states.

Still, untold numbers of doctors quicker end for patients they may options of available care.

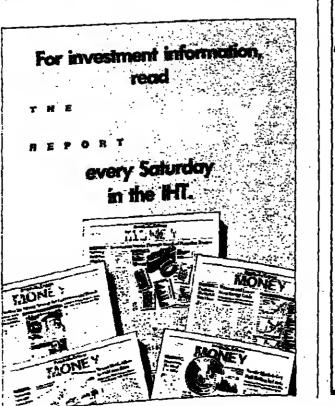
R. Timothy E. Quill, who has written elo-quently on the subject, says there is also a very realistic worry that some patients who request help in ending their fives may have conditions that can be improved with proper treat-

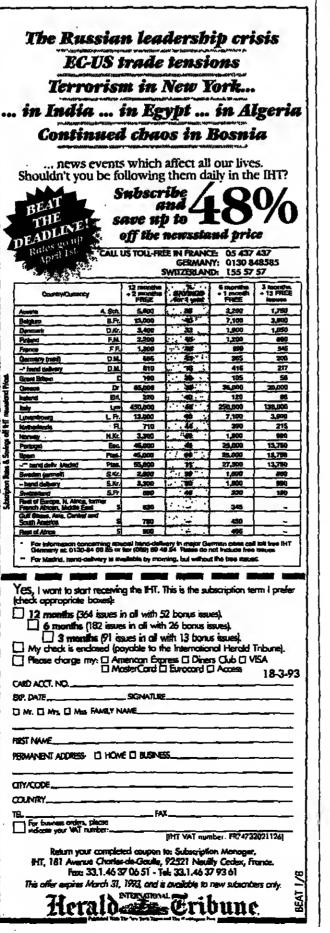
ment, giving them a new perspective on life. Among those conditions are se-vere pain and mental depression, potentially treatable problems that can lead to feelings of desperation. Dr. Quill, a specialist in medi-cine and psychiatry at the Universi-ty of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and a former director of a hospice center, put his career on the line two years ago by publishing in The New England Journal of Medicine his decision to supply a lethal dose of barbiturates to a terminally ill leukemia patient, who used them to kill herself.

The thousands of letters he received in response encouraged him ceived in response encouraged him to write a book, "Death and Digni-ty: Making Choices and Taking Charge," published by W. W. Nor-ton. In it he presents a case for a "cautions" exploration of doctorassisted suicide "under carefully controlled conditions."

In November, he and two collaborators, Dr. Christine Cassel of the University of Chicago and Dr. Diane Meier of Mount Sinai Medical School in New York, proposed these criteria for allowing doctorassisted suicide:

• The patient must have an inhave in one or more cases gone curable condition that causes seoutside the law. They have surrepti-tiously provided the means to a must understand the prognosis and





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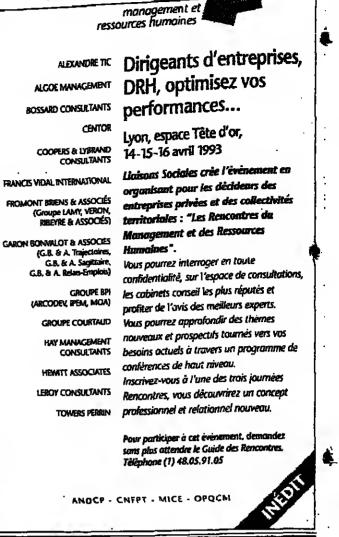
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#### By Martin Tolchin New York Times Service

TASHINGTON - Now that the U.S. government has given British Airways permission to buy a portion of USAir, the question that remains at the heart of the debate on foreign investment in the U.S. airline induscuts, he added. try is how big a portion would give it control. Indeed, it is a boardroom axiom that a majority vote is not always needed to influence corporate decisions: Any large stockholder - and large is a relative term --- almost always gains a role in shaping manage-

ment policy. Seth E. Schofield, chairman and president of USAir, said that even if British Airways received more than the legal limit of 25 percent of his

of USAir.'

company's stock, it would still **USAir will control** lack effective control of the U.S. the destiny carrier. But some legal experts are not

so sure.

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Mr. Schofield said at a luncheon meeting of the Interna-

tional Aviation Club that even if the British carrier gained 44 percent of USAir's voting stock under a proposed five-year plan, "they still would lack a majority" and control of the airline. Government officials said that if the agreement was fully carried

out, British Airways would have veto power over major manage-ment decisions, including the hiring of executives and marketing, planning and compensation. The British carrier would have four of USAir's 16 board members.

veto power over management decisions; whether voting stock is widely dispersed or concentrated in a few hands; whether a company is financially dependent on an investor, whether a company has rival groups vying for control; whether an investor has a pattern of nominating a majority of a board, and whether an investor has the same financial interest as the company.

the choice of members of the board, you have the power to control management and policies," said John C. Coffee of the Columbia

clude" that savings hy the German with those who don't? defense ministry and in space pro-That is the crux of a question being posed

grams would lead to further job Last year, DASA said it was planning to cut its work force of some 70,000 people by 10 percent during 1993 and 1994.

A union spokesman said the protests were partly aimed at DASA management and at the state of Bavaria, Workers called on the state pre-

mier, Max Streibl, to ensure that jobs would be kept in Bavaria. Separately, DASA, which has agreed to take a 51 percent stake in Fokker NV, may scrap the Fokker 130 project and replace it with a completely new model, according to a report in Het Financicele

Dagblad, the Dutch daily. (Reuters, AFX)

asking people who have jobs to share then

in France, as politicians, corporate officials and union leaders debate whether the concept of job-sharing can make a dent in the country's mounting jobless total, now ap-proaching 3 million, or 10.5 percent of the active working population.

The answer may prove useful for the rest of Europe, where average unemployment has just topped 10 percent, and where it is likely to get worse as major European companies such as Philips, Fiat and Volkswagen plan further cutbacks.

Some companies, such as Hewlett Packard France, Axa Assurances and Rhône-Poulenc, have not waited for the debate to be resolved. In recent months, they have announced innovative programs that use jobsharing as part of their plans to save current jobs and create new ones.

The approach of France's legislative elec-tions, which will be held the next two Sundays, has pushed the issue to the fore, as two environmentalist parties and the Socialists --- who are likely to be turned out of office --benefits. have latched onto the concept as a response to unemployment that they hope to keep alive in the two years leading up to the 1995

presidential election. The debate on work-sharing indicates how important a theme unemployment has become in this campaign," said Eric Taze-Bernard, economist with Banque Indosuez. "All the political parties are trying to offer some new ideas."

An indication that the job-sharing concept has gained force could be seen in the opposition's vitriolic reaction. Last week, Jacques Chirac, the mayor of Paris and president of the neo-Gaullist Rally for the Republic party, said job-sharing as a policy was "a stupid and dangerous idea." Alain Madelin, a depu-On Wednesday, a majority of the 2,056 ty in the National Assembly and vice presi-

ees. The conservatives, set to take control of the French government, argue that it would cost less to effectively subsidize employer contributions than to pay unemployment

The search for solutions to joblessness has been heightened by a round of economic and demographic studies indicating there is almost no way France can "grow" itself out of the problem. Even with an average economic growth of 3 percent -an optimistic scenario. given the current flat economy -- economists for the French Planning Commission predict that unemployment will remain over 10 per-cent. With an average growth of 2 percent, unemployment would increase to a range of 11.2 percent to 11.6 percent, they say.

The problem, they say, is that the positive effects of economie growth will be negated by expected gains in productivity of 2 percent to 2.5 percent a year and by a 1 percent

years. "In the present international political climate, this goal is utopian," said Jean-Paul Fitoussi, president of OFCE, a public economic forecasting agency.

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In some ways, job-sharing is being tast as an improved version of a decade-old measure. In 1981, the newly elected government of François Mitterrand, responding to Com-munist Party pressures, instituted a 39-hour workweek with compensation fixed at the previous 40-hour levels.

That policy, sold as a measure to create jobs, had little effect, and even the Socialists acknowledge that it was a mistake. Between 1981 and 1992, salaried employment in France rose by only 6 percent, to 14.7 mil-lion, while the number of job-seekers in the period soared 55 percent, to almost 3 million. Some proponents, however, now say the approach will work if the reduction in work

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# **Dollar Firm as Eyes Turn to Bundesbank**

Compiled In: Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - The dollar finished steady against the Deutsche mark and the yeo Wednesday as investors waited to see whether Germany's central bank would reduce interest rates Thursday, traders and analysts said.

The dollar closed at 1.6617 DM

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and 117.20 yen, compared with 1.6646 DM and 117.05 yen. "The whole market is fixating on

whether the Bundesbank is going to cut rates tomorrow," said Thomas Benfer, senior market representa-tive at the Bank of Montreal in New York.

At the Bundesbank's biweekly central council meeting Thursday, some traders and analysts expect the bank to lower its key discount rate to 7.5 percent from 8.0 percent to spor economic growth in Germany and ease tensions in the European Community's exchangerate mechanism. The Bundeshonk last cut interest

rates on Feb. 4, when it reduced its discount rate to 8.0 percent from 8.25 percent and cut its Lombard rate to 9.0 percent from 9.5 percent. The discount rate in the United States is 3.0 percent.

"If you believed the signals this week, you'd bet the ranch that the Bundesbank will ease," said Carl Amendola, vice president at Baverische Hypotheken & Wechsel Bank in New York. Others, however, said the central

bank probably would consider Germany's budget deficit too large to allow for an easing of monetary policy.

The U.S. Labor Department's moothly coosumer price index rose 0.3 percent in February, after an increase of 0.5 percent in January. But analysts said the "core" in-flation rate, which excludes food and energy prices, was the key fig-ore, rising by a higher-than-expected 0.5 percent for the second con-secutive month. They said the price report supported the dollar, at least in the short term, because it improved chances the Federal Re-serve would ultimately raise U.S. interest rates - making the dollar

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more attractive to investors. Elsewhere, the pound rose to \$1.4526 from \$1.4485 Tuesday as the dollar fell to 5.6483 French

francs from 5.6550 francs. The dollar rose to 1.5325 Swiss francs from 1,5255 francs on Tues-

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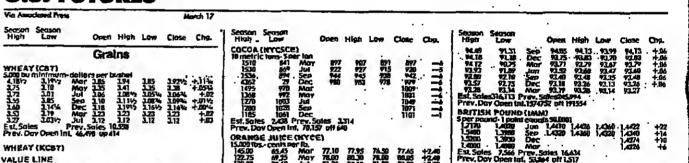
PARIS - France Telecom will announce Thursday it has developed a line of software products to facilitate communication between personal computers, a company spokesman said.

Separately, the telephone company will announce a partnership agree ment with Microsoft Corp., the spokesman said Wednesday.

No details of the Microsoft agreement were available, but Dean Ratcliff, software analyst for Dataquest Europe, a research concern, said France Telecom may announce that it is using Microsoft's Modular Windows software to develop its own products or that it intends to sell

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NationsBank Buying Into Derivatives CHICAGO (Combined Dispatches) -- NationsBank, the huge South-ern banking company created in a merger last year, said Wetnesday it was expanding into the business of trading derivatives by buying into one of the leading independent derivatives firms.

was expanding into the business of tracing derivatives by ouying into one of the leading independent derivatives firms. NationsBank's chairman and chief executive, Hugh McColl, said at a news conference that the acquisition of Chicago Research & Trading Group, known as CRT, would "significantly enhance the capabilities of NationsBank in serving its corporate and institutional customers." NationsBank in serving its corporate and institutional customers."

Executives of NationsBank said the purchase, estimated at \$225

million, should have a positive impact on earnings per share. NationsBank, the fourth-largest U.S. bank, with \$118 billion in assets. has been aggressively seeking out expansion opportunities, but it is constrained by laws that keep it from making large acquisitions of banks constrained by laws that accept the making large acquisitions of banks outside of the Southeast. Earlier this year, it agreed to buy MNC Financial Inc. It has a very active bond-trading desk and it has been seeking to increase its share of the large corporate-loan market.

## **USG Files for Bankruptcy Protection**

WILMINGTON, Delaware (Bloomberg) — USG Corp., a Chicago-based building-materials company. filed Wednesday for protection from creditors, citing a prolonged downturn in the gypsum wallboard industry. In the Chapter 11 filing, USG listed liabilities of \$3.1 billion and assets of \$1.8 billion.

of 53.8 billion. USG presented the bankruptcy court with a prepackaged reorganiza-tion plan calling for unsecured debt holders to receive \$75 million in new senior 1995 notes and \$25 million in new senior 1998 notes, in exchange for their \$100 million in 1991 senior uotes. . Under the plan, \$300 million in hank term loans wight be converted

Of their 3100 million in 1991 senior notes. Under the plan, \$300 million in bank term loans might be converted into an equal amount of extended maturity 10¼ percent senior notes. Principal payments now due would be deferred until December 1994, while loan maturities would be extended to 2000 from 1996.

## 6 Firms Agree to Standardize Unix

NEW YORK (NYT) - IBM, Hewiett-Packard, Sun Microsystems and three other computer companies announced Wednesday steps to standardize their versions of the Unix software operating system to prepare for the challenge of Microsoft Corp.'s NT system, which is

prepare for the challenge of Microsoft Corp. 5 NT system, which is expected later this year. The three other companies agreeing to the standards are the Santa Cruz. Operation, Univel and Unix System Laboratories. The six have agreed to standards intended to give customers a desktop computing environment that will look the same for any of their customers and to allow programmers to design applications for many computers. They have also agreed to adopt common software products for linking computers in networks, and endorsed standards in the fields of graphics, multimedia and object technology.

#### **Borden Unlikely to Match Estimates**

AMELIA ISLAND, Florida (Bloomberg) — Borden Inc. said Wednes-day it expected to earn about \$2 a share in 1993, slightly less than analysis had forecast, as the food giant continues its broad restructuring plan, Anthony D'Amato, chairman and chief executive of the New York-based concern, said that first-quarter earnings would fall short of ana-lysis' estimates of about 30 cents a share. The company expects to report lower profit on operations at all four of its operating divisions. Mr. D'Amato, said the first operating divisions.

Mr. D'Amaio said the effect of organizational change, a new marketing program and divestimes of several business lines would not be felt my the second half of 1993.

Seagram Earnings Decline by 77% MONTREAL (Bloomberg) — Seagram Co. said Wednesday its fourth-quarter earnings had dropped 77 percent from a year earlier, largely as the result of charges tied to accounting changes. Net income in the quarter ended Jan. 31 numbled to \$46 million, or 12 cents a share, from \$197 million, or \$2 cents, a year earlier. The beverage company's latest results include \$100 million in charges.

clothing and upkeep: prices had fallen during the second half of last year as discounts attracted shoppers. Transportation costs rose 0.5 percent, reflecting airline-fare increases, higher gasoline prices and new year increases in public-trans-These increases were seen as normal for the start of a recovery, but they raised the question of whether

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worse was to come. Most economists said 'No' and stuck by the consensus forecast of 3 percent consumer inflation this year, although some said they might raise that figure by half a point.

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"We are probably coming out of the low end of the inflatioo rate for the cycle but we are not going back to the increases of past cycles. The structure of the economy has ehanged too much for that," said Henry Kaufman, who runs his own money market consulting firm.

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unit labor costs rose an almost invisible 0.4 percent, held down by

(Continued from first finance page) few high-paying and secure jobs on offer. Allen Sinai of Bostoo Co. Economic Advisers noted that low unit labor costs were one of the best predictors of low inflation. Increases in U.S. productivity implies that these costs will continue low. "This is an entirely different situation from the recoveries of five and 10 years ago," Mr. Sinai said. "Break-even points for business are lower than they have been for 20

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Merrell Dow. Merck fell 14 to 36%, Pfizer dropped 1% to 58% and Johnson & Johnson declined 1% to 40%. the Commerce Department decided not to put heavy tariffs on South Korean computer chips. The deci-sion could lead to lower U.S. chip

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# Hoogovens Posts Loss, Omits Payout

By Barbara Smit

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Special to the Herald Tribune AMSTERDAM -- Pummeled by a weak and overcrowded European steel market, Hoogovens NV posted Wednesday a 1992 loss of 595 million guilders (\$319.5 million). The company's chairman predicted improved market conditions

by summer, but several analysis were skeptical of that outlook.

Affected by overcapacity and falling prices, the Dutch steel and aluminum group posted the net loss on sales that fell to 7.72 billion guilders, from 8.10 billion guilders in 1991. The company, which had a of 51 million guilders in 1991, said it would omit a dividend for

the second consecutive year. The loss included a charge of 370 million guilders for a restructuring that has cut about 2.300 jobs in the company's steel business. Its net operating loss was 225 million guil-ders, most of which was incurred Section 2. during the second half.

Still, the figures were slightly better than had been forecast, and the company's stock rose 2.30 guilders to close at 27.30 guilders. Hoogovens, which is based in Beverwijk, warned last antumn of a serious market deterioration, and it had since forecast an operating loss of 250 million guilders for the year.

Structural overcapacity in the steel sector, estimated at 15 percent, and an average 6 percent price decline in the Hoogovens No. 1944 product range last year, partly caused by cheap imports from Eastern Europe, were blamed for the results.

> Maarten van Veen, chairman of Hoogovens, said results for the first covery in 1994."

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its employment worldwide by

36.000 from today's 265,000. But

that won't be enough. After a tug-of-war with General Motors, VW

hired José Ignacio López de Arrior-

tua, a known cost-cutter, on Tues-

day as its production and purchas-

ing chief to belp carry out a much

more far-reaching restructuring. Ferdinand Piech, VW's new

chairman, warned recently that the

German industry faced its worst

crisis since 1945, telling workers at

Wolfsburg that massive job losses

were unavoidable. Until now,

union officials and representatives

of the regional government on VW's board had largely blocked

any draconian cutbacks at the com-

Ford, which turned its North

American operations around in the 1980s, confronts a similar chal-

lenge today in Europe, where it

pany.

half of this year would be "at the same level" as the last half of 1992. But, although aluminum prices show no sign of improving this year, he predicted that conditions in the steel market would be better before June.

Mr. van Veen said price increases of as much as 15 percent for its steel products as of April 1, which the company had announced together with Thyssen of Germany, British Steel and Usinor-Sacilor of France, had been accepted by the market

But Richard Brakenhoff, an analyst at Pierson, Heldring & Pierson in Amsterdam, said: "Th market is not a social-welfare in stitute created to subsidize th steel industry. As long as there is too much steel around, there is not

a chance that the market will accept a price increase." René Verhoef, an analyst at Paribas Bank Nederland, added: "The automobile, construction and engineering industries aren't thinking go ahead without Switzerland.

about price increases at the moment." He said the company would be fortunate to escape a further price deterioration. Hoogovens, which exports about

10 percent of its production to the United States, will also be affected by antidumping duties of about 25 percent imposed by Washington at cast until the end of May.

Nevertheless, some analysis were confident about the cost-cutting an Economic Area accord that measures introduced last year. "Hoogovens are doing the right thing with their cutbacks," said Dec. 6 referendum. Philip van den Berg, an analyst at Goldman Sachs & Co. in London. The EEA, once ratified, will ex-

tory

The shares now look attractive. taking into account a potential re-

1992, or worse, Mr. Schneider said, Bayer cent to 2.67 billion DM. Group sales decimed also sells pharmaceuticals, which did better last year than obernicals, and information slashed its dividend in 11 DM from 13 DM. LEVERKUSEN, Germany - Bayer AG's profit and sales will be flat, at best, in 1993 because of the worldwide economic slump and technology.

Bayer Doesn't Like the Look of 1993

The stock fell 1.90 DM to close at 271.20 on the Frankfurt exchange. "It's a known fact that the German chemi-

cal industry hasn't quite overcome the profit slump yet," said Helga Balensiefer, analyst at Bethmann Bank in Frankfurt. "A turnaround before mid-1993 is very unlikely.

In the meantime, Bayer's only hope is a recovery in the United States, Ms. Balensieler In the first two months of 1993, group sales dropped 10.7 percent to 6.49 billion Deutsche, marks (\$3.9 billion), from a year earlier. With the chemicals business unlikely to said. "If the U.S. economic motor starts running. German chemicals are likely to profit from that - and pretty fast." she said. recover this year, 1993 can only be equal to In 1992, Bayer's pretar profit fell 16 per-

The one business sector that still had rising sales in 1993 was pharmaceuticals and that will be hit hard by the effects of the German health-care reform this year. Mr. Schneider said. "The effects exceed our worst expectauons," he said.

Price cuts and controls, and prescription limits, have had a dramatic effect on Bayer's drug operations, he said.

In the first two months of this year, Bayer had a loss of 35 million DM in prescribed drugs. That compared with the 50 million DM loss forecast by Bayer for the whole year.

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How to Make Polluters Pay

Agence France-Presse

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increased competition from Asian and East

European producers, the German chemical

company's chief executive said Wednesday.

"It's too early to judge 1993 in mid-March," said the executive, Mapired

Schneider. "But one thing we can say without

hesitation: The start was less than satisfac-

"We think this agreement will give an important signal to EC and EFTA economic operators at a time when they need a signal for growth," Sweden's undersecretary of state, Frank Belfrage, said at the signing ceremony. Sweden is the current president of EFTA.

Ambassadors to the 18 partici pating nations signed a protocol enshrining changes to the Europewere made necessary when Swiss voters ruled out participation in a

tend the EC's single market to the six remaining EFTA members -Austria, Finland, Iceland, Norway. Sweden and Liechtenstein. The

created will rival the North Ameri-can Free Trade Agreement of the Belgium has said it will have diffi-United States, Canada and Mexico culty ratifying the accord on time day to changes in their common as the world's biggest free-trade and Spain, which says the accord is market part that will allow them to zone. of less value now Switzerland has of less value now Switzerland has The EC Commission's chief nego-gone, has threatened to link ratifica-tiator. Horst Krenzler, urged all tion to the fate of the stalled Maascountries to give ratification the tricht treaty on European union. "highest priority," to allow the pact Switzerland will take observ Switzerland will take observer

LONDON - Minorco SA said Wednesday that its pretax profit rose 3.4 percent in the six months status in EFTA on matters related ended Dec. 31, as the mining and to the European Economic Area. allowing the government to keep an institutional link with the market. finance concern's losses on gold operations were offset by better re-nums from industrial minerals. Bern will not take part in institu-BRUSSELS - The European tions of the EEA itself.

Minorco, which is 60 percentowned jointly by Anglo-American Corp. of South Africa and De Beers Group, bad pretax profit of \$109.2 million in its financial first half, up from \$105.6 million in the yearearlier period. Sales rose 8.9 percent to \$607.8 million from \$558

Net profit before one-time items rose to \$101.4 million from \$98 million. Minorco, based in Luxembourg, said it would pay a first-half dividend of 19 cents a share.

"A strong performance by the industrial-minerals and base-metals segments was offset by the losses from gold and agribusiness, giving a marginally improved performance over the previous half-year," Minorco's chairman, Julian Ogilvie

Mr. Thompson said the compa-ny's financial reserves and recent efficiency efforts bad put it in a good position to benefit from any upturn in the world economy in

pendence Mining Co., gold sales of 147,000 ounces were 15 percent lower than in the same period last year.

This factor, coupled with the lower gold price, resulted in a disappointing financial performance for the six months." Mr. Thompson said of the mining division's results.

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Paris'	CAC 40	1,967.28	1,975.25	-0.40
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#### Very briefly:

• AGA Group AB, the Swedish producer of gases for industrial and medical use, said it had earned 1.48 billion kronor (\$190 million) in 1992, up 3.5 percent from 1.43 billion kronor in 1991.

· East Asiatic Co. said it had a net loss in 1992 of 990 million Danish kroner (\$150 million), after a 1991 profit of 330 million kroner.

· Air Inter, the French domestic airline that is a member of the Air France Group, limited its 1992 loss to 71 million francs (\$12.6 million), an informed source said.

• Elf Aquitaine sales fell to 200.56 billion francs in 1992 from 200.67 billion a year carlier, the company said.

Linde AG said profit before extraordinary items rose to 530.4 million Deutsche marks (\$312 million) in 1992, from 528.4 million in 1991.

· Poland's ruling coalition has agreed to rally behind a long-delayed mass privatization program, boosting its chances of being passed by parliament this week.

• Kansallis-Osake-Pankki's chief executive officer. Pertti Voutilainen, told the bank's annual meeting that KOP would halve its 1992 pretax loss of 3.7 billion markkaa (\$617 million) this year.

· Repsol SA said it would offer 30 million shares through its institutional placement, 12 million of which will go to the United States, 7 million to Britain, 6 million to Europe, 3.5 million to Spain and 1.5 million to the rest of the world. Remers, Bloomberg, AFP, AFX, Knight-Rubber

#### **Olivetti Trading Inquiry Is Sought** AFP-Exict News

MILAN - An Italian stockholders group asked Wednesday for an insider-trading inquiry into an Olivetti executive's reported denial last week that a capital increase was upcoming, when in fact it was,

The Assorisparmio association asked the market regulator. Consol, to investigate remarks by Olivetti SpA's managing director. Corrado Pas-sera. According to the association, Mr. Passera said in London last week that Olivetti would not undertake a capital increase in the short term. But on Monday, it did announce a 903 billion lire (\$560 million) rights issue. Olivetti shares fell 7.5 percent last week ahead of the announcement of

the rights issue. The stock fell 20 percent Tuesday after the announcement, and was fixed down another 4.5 percent Wednesday at 1.745 lire.

rope were undertaking substantial considered at the edge of what was improvements, however, Germa- politically tolerable, now look ny's big companies largely rested modest by comparison with the on their laurels. Even worse, they present barsh outlook. were lulled into complacency by To allow time to adjust, Europe's the tremendous three-year spurt in car market is protected by a "volcar sales that followed the collapse untary" quota system that freezes of the Berlin Wall as West Ger-Japanese exports to the European mans traded their old autos to the Community at a level of no more East and bought shiny new models. than 1.2 million cars a year through Still, for all the strides such man- the end of the decade. Any rise in ufacturers as Renault, Peugeot and Japan's market share is supposed GM Europe have made in recent 10 come from its transplant facyears, they fall short of the efficientories, largely in Britain, where

Compared with Japanese suto-makers, who typically require than 600,000 a year by 1995. about 20 hours of labor to assemble a car, several European tuners have reduced their average to last year, is subject to negotiation chine That Changed the World." but it is likely that the limit will be the pioneering 1990 study of the Japanese auto by the Massachu-market.

ens Institute of Technology. Ger-

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its best hope of economic recovery, now looks like offering the only immediate prospect of making a dent in the government's massive budget deficit.

rate mechanism last September should reduce Britain's portion of the European Community's budget by nearly 355 million European currency units (\$447 million) this year. EC Commission sources said Wednesday, Italy, the other big devaluer, stands to save nearly twice as much, or almost 726 million Ecus.

budget is based on their wealth as calculated in Ecus. So although the devaluations have made Britain and Italy poorer relative to other EC

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BRUSSELS - The pound's devaluation, which has given Britain

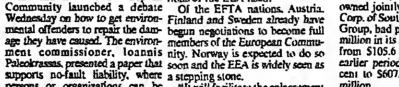
The devaluation since the pound was removed from the exchange-

Both countries benefit because member states' share of the EC countries, their government coffers will end up richer.

The cost of hard money, meanwhile, will be steep. France's so-far successful defense of the franc will cost it an extra 1.05 billion Ecus in EC budget payments, sources said. And Germany, the biggest net EC contributor, will have in pony up an added L55 billion Ecus.



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1993. He said that at Minorco's Inde-

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# The Wages of Devaluation

# CARS: For Europe, the Crisis Has Come Just-in-Time

Thompson, said in a statement.

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Probably the most vulnerable European automaker is Fiat, which has done poorly outside its home base in Italy. Even worse, analysis say. Fial suffers from a reputation for the worst quality among the world's major manufacturers.

France's state-owned Renault is the best example of a company that has already been forced in rethink its whole operation in order to survive. On the verge of extinction less than a decade ago, it has been gaining ground recently by turning out stylish, affordable new models, Renault was the only mainstream carmaker which was able to boost its profits last year.

"Renault shows the way," said Daniel T. Jones, an industry re-searcher at Cardiff Business School at the University of Wales. "It really did once look as if they were

going down the tubes." "Without that threat, 1 doubt whether Levy would have been able to bring about the changes he did," he said, referring to former Renault Chairman Raymond Levy. While many French, British and U.S.-owned auto factories in Eu-

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design prowess, bowever, even the Japanese automakers are having man car companies are generally stuck at about 40 hours of assembly difficulty mounting a full-scale aswork ner car. Mr. Ludvigsen, the industry con-sultant, calculated that European sault on their European competitors. A saturated market al home assembly plants alone, currently and an end to the surge in the employing more than 450,000

United States have sapped Japanese company profits. workers, would need to shed 150.000 people to reach Japanese levels of efficiency. "The Japanese anto companies are not invulnerable and the Euro-Even before the recent plunge in

peans, if they play their cards right, won't just be handing the market sales, Europe's carmakers already over to Japan," said Mr. Ludvig-sen. "The 1990s could well be just as difficult for Japan as the '80s had plans to shed about 50,000 jobs per year from the recent employ-ment peak in 1991 of more than 1.4 were for Detroit." million. But those projections, once

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		JOBS: France Conside (Continued from first finance page) time is accompanied by a reduction in pay or outsidized by new taxes. The environmentalist party, the Greens, has proposed cutting the workweek to 35 hours immediately and to 30 hours by the end of the entury. Workers earning less than 8,000 frances (about \$1,410) a month would continue to re- ceive their present pay, while those earning more would have their salaries cut by 6 to 8 percent for each 10 percent reduction in hours. Alain Lipietz, the Greens' economic special- ist, says the shift to a 35-hour week would lead to the creation of "1 million to 2 million jobs" without affecting companies' profits or compet- itive positions. On the macroeconomic level, the idea is based on the simple observation that the num- ber of hours worked by a country is fixed, and that if everyone accepts to work fewer hours, the remaining work can be absorbed by the unemployed." Mr. Lipietz said. Mr. Lipietz said. The Socialists have offered several variations on the theme. Laurent Fabius, a former prime minister, has asked for a 32-bour, four-day workweek. Pierre Bertegovoy, the current prime minister, has asked for a 32-bour, four-day workweek. Pierre Bertegovoy, the current prime minister, is a proponent of a 35-hour week, but only if accepted by other members of the Emo- pean Community. Martine Aubry, the current abor minister.	<b>TS Plane to Share Positions</b> nied by a near freeze in wages over a five-year period, would lead to the creation of 500,000 jobs. But Mr. Taze-Bernard of Banque Indosnez sidhe is "skeptical" of such claims, noting that a variety of studies have been conducted in, recent times, "and their results aren't unanimous." He said a mandatory nationwide job-sharing policy would make little sense on a macroeco- would have to keep its factories going full time, bringing per-unit production costs down while producing more goods. But demand wouldn't necessarily rise just because production did," he said. Nevertheless, job-sharing, some experts say, ould prove a valuable response to unemployment if left as a voluntary measure, perhaps added by tax incentives, that companies and their workers could employ if it met their particular needs. Buch was the case with Hewlett-Packard, which has just adopted a job-sharing program at its circuit-board plant in Grenoble after four months of negotiations with the plant's two internations. The plan is intended to save 250 jobs at the plant and ottimately create 100 new ones. With the price of personal computers dropping by half, we were faced with cutting our costs in order to remain competitive, or else moring production to Singapore," said Anne-Mariet aday, 7 days a week. International companies in operation 24 of the last of the plant new is in operation 24 of the last of t		

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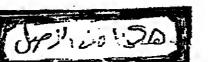
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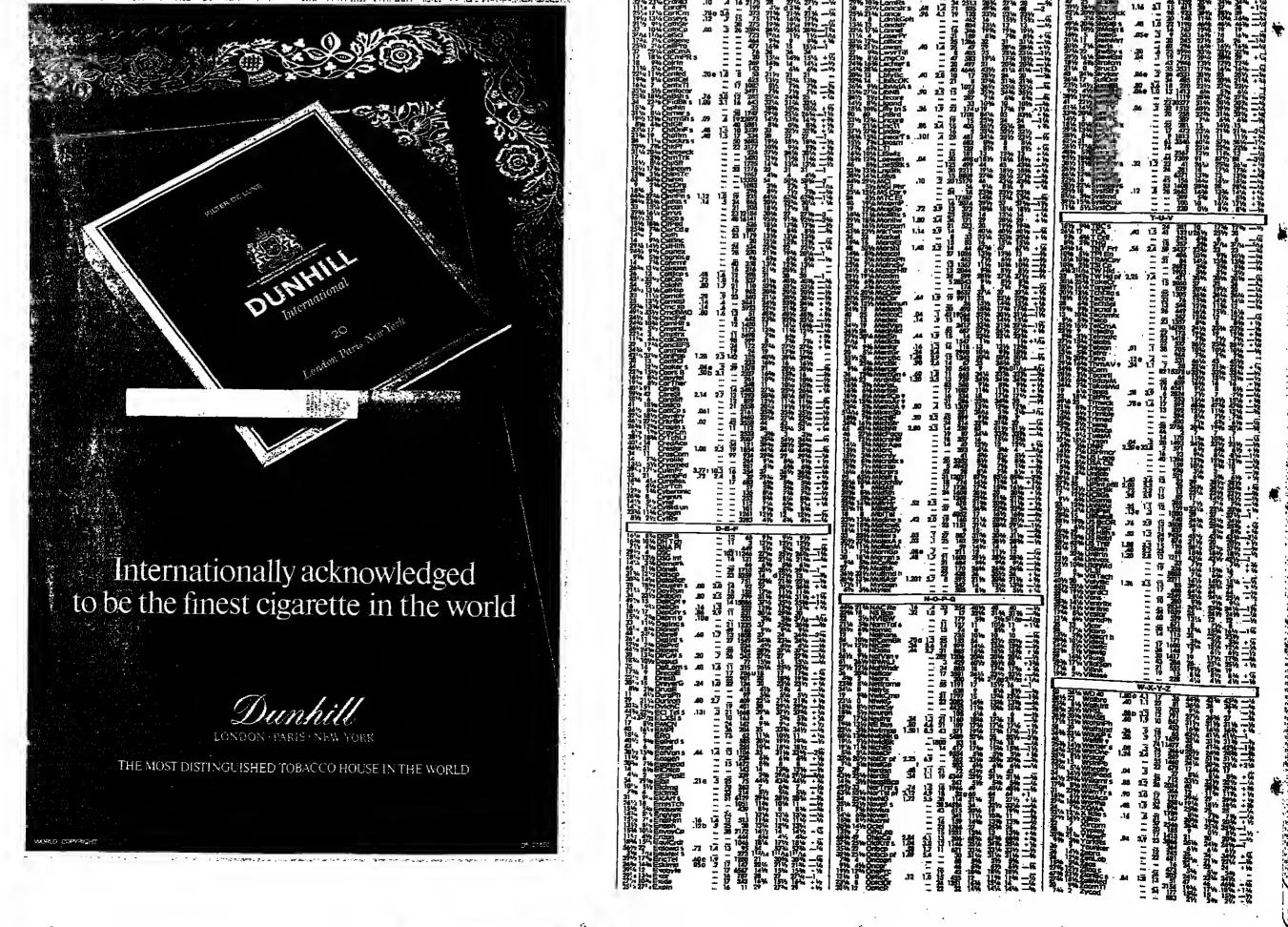
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# 'Real-Name' Delay Lifts Seoul Stocks

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher SEOUL - Share prices rose strongly in moderate trading Wednesday on news of dereguiation plans for some industries and postponement of a so-called realname system for share deals.

The composite index rose 25.18 points, or 3.9 percent, to 663.05 after President Kim Young Sam said the government had decided to postpone requiring the use of real names in financial transactions.

### Koreans Cheer U.S. Chip Duty

Reuters SEOUL - South Korean chipmakers reacted with relief on Wednesday after the United States imposed lower-than-expected final antidumping duties on semiconductors, margins that hardly affect exports. There will be little impact on exports and profits, the Korea Semiconductor Industry Association said. The main companies in-

volved are Goldstar Electron Co., Hyundai Group's Hyundai Electronics Co. and Samsung Electronics Co. Trade Minister Kim Chul Su described the ruling as a "fair judgment" by the U.S. Commerce Department,

Analysts said the final duties, ranging from 0.74 to 7.19 percent, had taken into account the adverse effect higher

chip prices would have on the U.S. computer industry.

"We have decided to shelve the real-name system for the time be-ing," an official was quoted as saying, adding, "what is most impor-tant now is to stimulate the stagnant economy."

Mr. Kim had promised in the election campaign to put the real-name system into force for all financial and business transactions, to eliminate tax evasion and fraud. Seoul's main stock market index has fallen 9.2 percent since the be-

ginning of the year. Analysts attrib-uted part of the decline to investor fears that a real-name system would be put into effect. Brokers also said institutions had bought aggressively Wednes-day on news that the government

intended to lift a number of regulations on several industries. Electrical issues did well after

antidumping duties imposed by the United States on Korean semiconductors turned out to be lower than expected. (AFX, Bloomberg) **GE** Capital Rides the Dragon U.S. Firm Wants to Issue More Asia Bonds

### Bloomberg Business News

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HONG KONG - General Electric Capital Corp. hopes to sell four to five so-called dragon bonds in U.S. dollars over the next two years as part of an expansion plan for the Asian region, its treasurer said Wednesday.

The company, which is the finance subsidiary of General Electric Co. of the United States, will within the next few days become the first corporate borrower to tap the dragon bond market. The issue will raise between \$200 million and \$300 million

and will have a maturity of three to five years. The treasurer, Jeffrey Werner, said at a news conference in Hong Kong that there was no reason why Asia could not be a significant source of funding for GE Capital. "I hope to be back here by the end of the year, depending on market accep-tance obviously, and I hope to be here two or three times next year," he said. Dragon bonds are those exclusively sold and

listed in Asia, other than Japan, and are denomi-nated in a currency that is different from that of the issuer's home country.

Mr. Werner said that GE Capital, which has stakes of between 30 percent and 50 percent in four

finance companies in Asia, intended to expand rapidly in the region. The four companies are Taiwan Acceptance

Corp., United Merchants Finance in Hong Kong. Astra Credit in Indonesia and Seabane Financial Services in Malaysia.

Mr. Werner said he expected other corporate issuers to follow GE Capital into the dragon bond market. "If we are successful and can do a couple more there will be greater activity among corpo-rates issuing here," he said.

As the dragoo bond market matures, GE Capital would like to see it mirror pricing in the muchmore developed Eurobond market, Mr. Werner said. The company is seeking to raise between \$8 billion and \$10 billion in the world's capital markets this year.

The timing of the launch of the current GE Capital dragon bood issue will depend on U.S. dollar capital markets, said Albert Cobetto, a senior vice president at Lehman Brothers Asia. Leh-man Brothers Securities is the lead manager.

GE Capital and Lehman Brothers declined to discuss the pricing of the issue, which will be listed on the Hong Kong and Singapore stock exchanges.

# Despite Cathay, Swire's Earnings Look Strong

HONG KONG --- Swire Pacific, one of Hong Kong's largest conglomerates, is expect-ed to report on Thursday that it had a bumper year in 1992 with an increase in after-tax profit between 17.2 percent to 48.5 percent, analysis said Wednesday.

Analysts' forecasts for the company's net profit after taxes range from 3.6 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$461 million) to 4.56 billion dollars for the calendar year. "The company's rental income is up and with

development profits and earnings from their other small businesses they should do fairly well," said Roland Bruce, an analyst at Stan-

dard Chartered Securities, who sees net profit

at 4.4 billion dollars. Analysts said the company could be hit by the overall softness of the aviation industry. Some 46 percent of Swire's earnings come from Hong Kong's flagship carrier, Cathay Pacific. Cathay announced on March 11 a 1.9 percent

rise in net profit after taxes and minority pay-ments for 1992. Profit rose to 3.01 billion dollars. Digby Falkiner, a senior analyst at Morgan Grenfell, said, "We expect an g percent decline at Cathay in 1993 and some recovery in 1994. That'll take a bite out of Swire."

Nevertheless, Mr. Falkiner estimates that Swire's profit should increase between 9 per-

cent to 12 percent over the next three years.

Swire has a oumber of other interests besides aviation. Its Swire Properties is involved in property development and rentals. The company dabbles in retail, owns a bottling company and an interest in a container terminal.

according to an Associated Press dispatch from Hong Kong. Shenzhen's move on its B shares In the short term, analysts are focusing on a massive apartment development in Hong Kong's Mid-Levels district. Some 26 percent of Swire's earnings come from property, analysis said.

Analysts said the Robinson Place sales will Shanghai exchange, which has albe an indicator of how well Swire will do io the years to come. The project is behind schedule, they said, but units should go on sale in May. ways denominated its stocks in U.S. dollars,

In China **Aids Jardine** 

**Auto Boom** 

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG - A boom io Mercedes-Benz car sales in Hong Kong and China gave Jardine International Motor Holdings Ltd. a 145.5 percent increase in profit last year, the company said Wednesday. Profit climbed to \$59.46 million from \$24,22 millioo in 1991, while

revenue grew to \$910.95 millioo from \$631.13 millioo. Southern Star, the company's joint venture with Mercedes-Benz

that sells ioto China, posted a 280 percent increase in sales in 1992 over the previous year, the company said. Figures were not available. If nothing happens to upset the economy in China, it is highly like-

ly that this year China sales will be substantially better than last year's. said Anthony Nightingale. managing director of Jardine Pacific.

Mr. Nightingale added a note of cautioo. however, saying the China market was historically volatile. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

Shenzhen to Use Dollars

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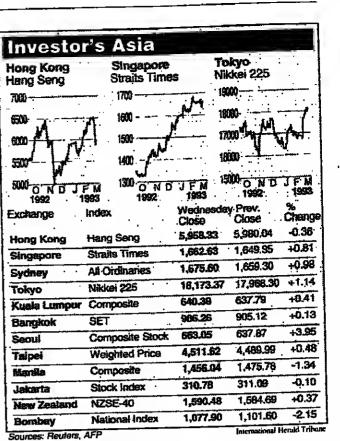
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#### Very briefly:

• Eastman Kodak Co.'s Japanese unit paid eight college graduates 2.5 million yen (\$21,150) each for reneging on a promise to employ them, a company spokesman said.

- Japan Air Lines Co. said it would cut the number of its weekly cargo flights in the Pacific region to 22, from 25 at present, beginning in April. • Malaysian International Shipping Corp. posted a 8.4 perceot drop in its financial 1992 net profit, to 503.9 million ringgit (\$201.4 million).

• Cunard Lines Ltd. of Britain announced the creation of a tripartite joint venture, based in Hong Kong, to tap ioto the fast-growing cruise market to Asia. Partners are AIG Associates Ltd. and IMC Holdings Ltd. Malaysia Airlines may defer taking delivery of some of more than 60 Boeiog Co. jetliners it has ordered through 1995, the national oews agency Bernama reported; deliveries scheduled for this year would not be

affected and oo orders would be canceled. Reuters, AFX, Knight Rulder, AFP, Bloomberg, AP

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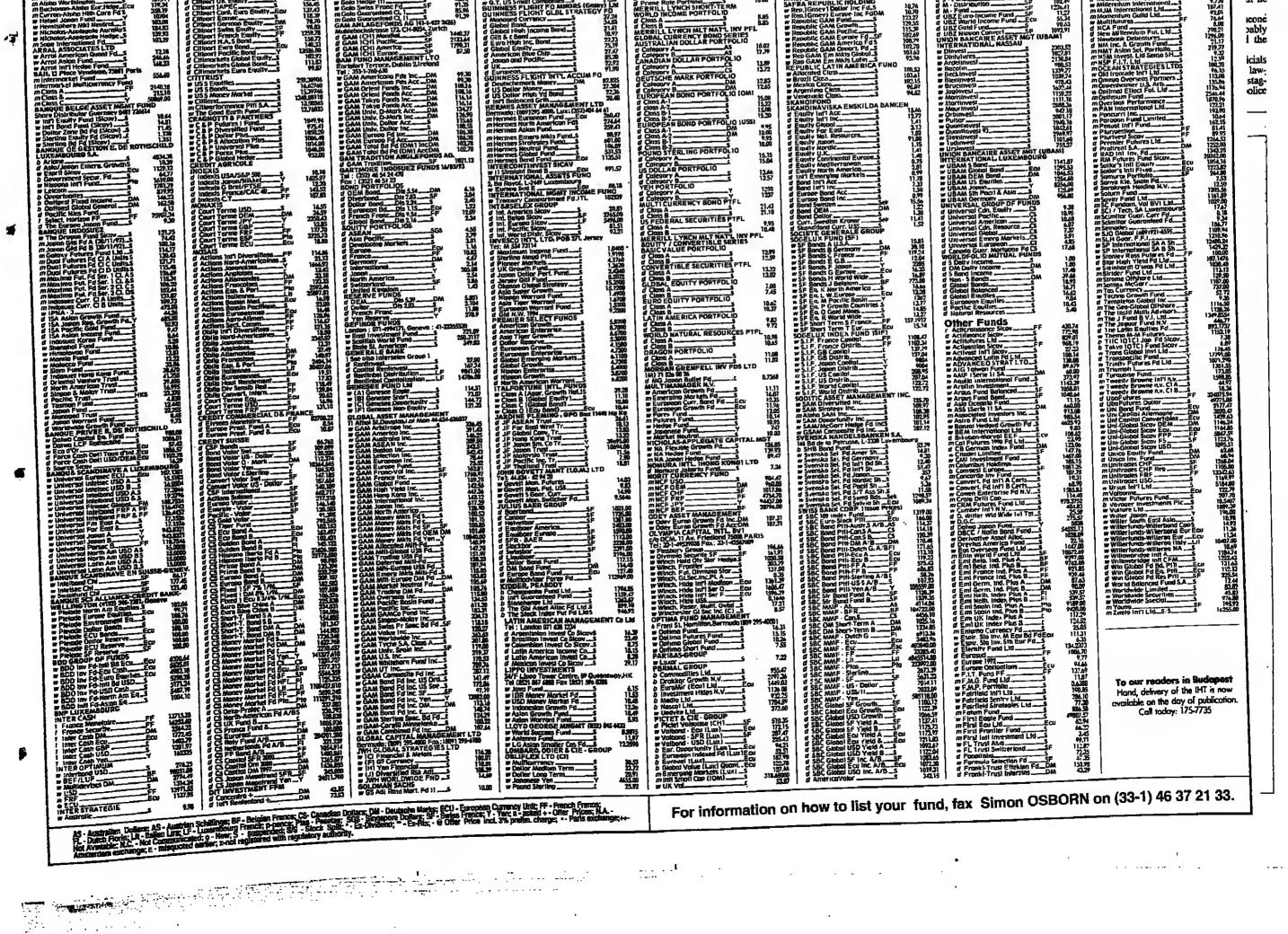
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# SPORTS TELECASTS

# **Baseball Gives Itself a Black(out) Eye With Eurosport TV**

#### By Ian Thomsen International Herald Trabune

PARIS - The American pastime is being passed by in Europe. Eurosport TV, the newly merged European satellite network, does oot plan to televise haseball, including the World Series, this year

Its 42 million Europeao viewers will see regular seasoo games and the playoffs of the National Basketball Association, the National Football League and the National Hockey League, as well as nondescript U.S. fights and interminable Indy car races.

But oo baseball, or college basketball. Eurosport, which does not hold the rights to the NCAA basketball tournament, said it will make a bid to televise the semifinals and final next year. Eurosport accepted most of Screensport's U.S. programming in merging with its competitor this month. Of the professional sports, only major league

baseball, having failed to promote itself in Europe, will suffer the consequences of a TV blackout.

"I don't know how much interest there is for baseball in Europe." said Vincent Chupin, an assistant programming manager at Eurosport. "It is oot attractive to a lot of our sponsors. It is still

convinces Eurosport to expand into the World Series, baseball will have no choice but to seek other broadcasters. Exclusive rights could be dispersed among lesser European networks and domestic broadcasting companies, ensuring that the World Series will be seen in Britain, the Netherlands, Germany, Spain and Italy. But it probably won't be available to Eastero Europe or France, which lacks an outlet for such eclectic American programming.

"The World Series is going to be oo television," assured Michael Carlson, vice president of European operations for Major League Baseball Internadonal. "It may not be on a Pan-European satellite, and it may not be on live." If other U.S.-based leagues bave earned a niche in Europe, it's because they've sent teams over-

seas. The NFL's investment in preseason exhibitions at Wembley in London made it possible to plant World League teams in Europe. The NBA's presence at the McDonald's Open and in the Olympics last summer enabled its Dream-Teamers to rival the popularity of European soc-cer stars. Even the NHL — considered a weaking

possible that we will do it, hut for now the decision has been taken not to do it." Unless the success of its new U.S. programming Unless the success of its new U.S. programming Only baseball has failed to authorize a major the success of its new U.S. programming Only baseball has failed to authorize a major league exhibition in Europe.

"I think a major event in Europe would give us a huge boost and a huge amount of credibility," Carlson said. "When I started in 1990, and we started with a four-year plan for Europe, I thought it would have happened by now or this year."

A high-profile event would create a demand for baseball on television, be said.

"And from that point. I would say baseball could grow in Europe in the place of volleyball, say, within 10 years," Carlson said. "It could be as stroog as basketball in some countries, and bockey in others. It would give us a boge boost and a buge amount of credibility."

Though baseball supports its European federations at the grass-roots level, only the Italians and the Dutch play the sport seriously. The names of Jose Canseco, Roger Clemens and Kirby Puckett are foreign, those of Joe Montana and Patrick Ewing are oot.

Baseball became an Olympic sport last summer,

of Japanese All-Stars. The games were vetoed by the Major League Baseball Players Association.

An offer to bring two major league teams to the hallowed Lords' Cricket Ground next October, following the baseball senson, was withdrawn last week after the English promoter reportedly could not work out a deal with the players association.

The last five years have seen baseball fall behind professional football as America's most popular sport, according to a comprehensive 1991 poll commissioned by the magazine Sports Illustrated. Rather than confront their problems, the major leagues' owners and players continue to attack each other, threatening every third season with a strike or a lockout.

Promoter Jon Smith, of First Artist Corp. in London, began two years ago convincing anstere Lords', older than America itself, to play host to a baseball exhibition. He would not confirm details of the negotiations. Reportedly, the players' union

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Lauren Rich, assistant general counsel for the players association, predicted that an exhibition will be announced for Europe within six months. The concept is complicated. The timing, the quali-

ty of the promotion and the site must all be

But what could possibly have been better for the future of baseball than the New York Yankees at Lords??

"The day I stand up and say, The New York Yankees are playing the Boston Red Sox at Lords' is the day that the last bastion of the British Empire has been removed," Smith said. "In England it will be as big an event as Wimble-dor."

If the major leagues are to visit Europe, it probably won't bappen for 19 months, until Octo-ber 1993. While Smith was strugging to make the numbers work, his head was immed by a more attractive suitor. The promoter is now working, began by asking for \$10,000 per man, plus first-class air travel for 150 people, including wives or NBA to England next October.

# Schooler 🚦 Gets Cut 👘 By Seattle

The Associated Press It was a bad day at spring train-ing for relief pitchers. Mike Schooler. Seattle's career saves leader. was cut Tuesday, while Steve Farr, while the New York Yankees' reliever, got knocked around. And Bobby Thig-

pen, struggling to keep his job as the closer of the Chicago White Sex, did not impress. Schooler, who had an \$800

non-guaranteed contract. was placed on anconditional release waivers by the Mariners. He will get \$131,868 as 30 days' termina-tion pay and the chance to find a new team.

"We haven't seen the arm strength," Seattle general manager Woody Woodward said in Peoria, Arizona. "We didn't see it last year. We were hoping for good signs this spring, but we haven't seen them."

In five seasons in Scattle, from 1988 through 1992, Schooler had 98 saves, but only 20 of those saves came after he missed the final of an ailing right shoulder. He was 1-0 this spring with a 5.40 earned ron average, and on Monday he allowed two runs and three hits in one inning during an 8-3 loss to the San Francisco Giants.

Farr, who had 30 saves for the Yankees last season, was tagged for seven runs and five hits in onethird inning during a 13-1 loss to the Minnesota Twins at Fort Myers, Florida. His ERA increased to 21.60.

"Sure, I'm concerned about it." -Fart said. "I embarrassed my whole family out there, if they were " here. They weren't here, but I em-barrassed them anyway."

barrassed them anyway." Thigpen gave up one run and two hits over two innings in a 5-1 victory over the Baltimore Orioles at St. Petersburg, Florida.

He set a major league record in " 1990 with 57 saves, but slamped to 30 in 1991 and 22 last season. He is competing this spring with Roberto Hernandez to be Chicago's righthanded closer.

"I look at it as being my job to lose," Thigpen said. "I was bere first."

Bo Jackson got three hits and " played the ontfield for the first time since 1990 as the Chicago White

cials suspended him after, sources said, a tutor admitted writing part of a paper that had helped him remain eligible to play at UNLV. The suspension ended Rider's two-year stint at UNLV and left the Runnin Rebels without the na-the source 1996 as the Chicago White Sox lost to the Florida Marlins 3-2 at Sarasota, Florida. Jackson had not played the ont-field since Oct. 2, 1990, when he was with the Kansas City Royals. "Was with the Kansas City Royals." the Runnin Rebels without the na-the ded his football carter with the Los Angeles Raiders tion's second leading scorer for Los Angeles Raiders.

Wednesday night's first-round NIT "It was baring, but it felt fine," game against Southern Cal. Jackson said of his outfield stint, in Jackson said of his outfield stint, in 5

# **IOC Moves to Admit Czechs and Slovaks**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches ATLANTA - The Czecb and Slovak republics bave been granted provisional recognition by the executive board of the International

Olympic Committee. The provisional recognition of the two national Olympic committees, which replaced the disbanded Czechoslovak national committee. will be ratified by the full IOC later this year.

The decision, which brought to 185 the total number of naoonal committees recognized by the IOC, followed the official recognition of the republics of the former Soviet Union on Jan. J.

number of national committees to reach 200 by the end of the century.

The IOC's executive board also agreed Tuesday that three standard rowing events would be replaced by

Akebono Watch

Isn't Flagging

TOKYO - Sumo's firsl foreign grand champion, Ha-waii's Chad Rowan, has been

making quite a stir during his debut as the sport's highest-ranked wrestler. Rowan, 23, who won his fourth straight bout Wednes-

day in the 15-day Spring Grand Sumo Tournament, has

lightweight races, two for men and one for women, at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta,

A mixed doubles badminton event will be added, and fencing will include women's epee. Swimming will be increased by one event, the women's 4x200-meter freestyle relay. Discussions were cootinning on changes to the gymnastics program.

There has been speculation that beacb volleyball and women's soccer will be added, but the IOC said it had not yet received proposals from the Atlanta organizers.

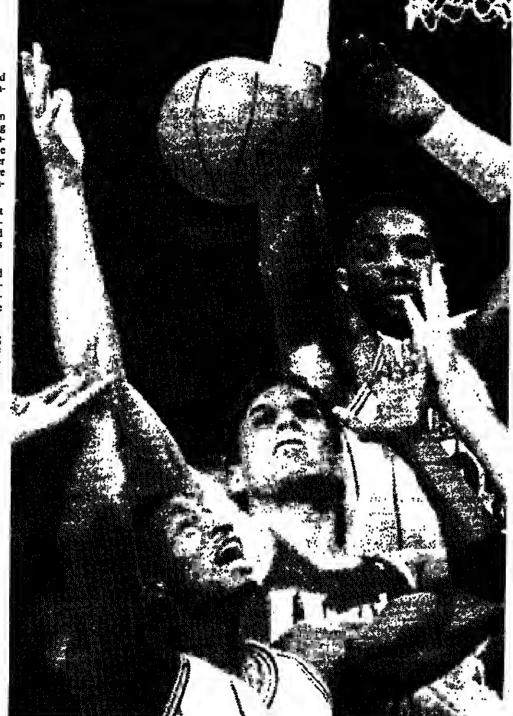
The IOC said that octball and The IOC has said it expects the korfball had been granted IOC recognition, although this did not im-ply they would be added to the Olympic program.

> The IOC also said it was moving to prohibit athletes at future Games from staying in luxury ho-tels rather than living in the Olympic village,

The U.S. basketball team, made up of millionaire NBA superstars, passed over the athletes' village in Barcelona last summer in favor of expensive hotel accommodations. So did a number of professional tennis players, track superstars and other athletes.

The IOC athletes' commission said that enough was enough.

"We think that everyone, even 'Dream Teams,' should all be in the village," said Peter Tallberg, chairman of the commission. "We don't want rich athletes living in five-star hotels outside the village. We want to strengthen the Olympic spirit." Tallberg said the IOC executive board was in agreement. He quoted one board member as saying, "Unless we keep this under control there will be second-class athletes in the village and rock stars living in five-star hotels."



## Cavaliers: Complacent, Or Just a Brief Lapse?

The Associated Press

Gerald Wilkins isn't sure if a overall. Gerald withins isn't sure it a disturbing trend has developed, or if the Cleveland Cavaliers simply fell out of sync for a couple of nights. But he's certain of this: They'd better straighten up fast. "If this happens on Thursday," against the New York Knicks, "h's going to be an 'L, " Wilkins said

#### NBA HIGHLIGHTS

Tuesday night after the Cavaliers blew most of a 25-point fourth-quarter lead before holding off the Philadelphia 76ers, 110-98, in Richfield, Ohio.

The victory was the 856th for their coach, Lenny Wilkens, tying him with Dick Motta for third place on the National Basketball Association's all-time coaching list. Only Jack Ramsay with 864 and Red Auerbach with 938 remain Summer Course ahead of Wilkens,

Cleveland has won 16 of its last LAS VEGAS - UNLV didn't make it to the NCAA toomament, and now its star forward, J.R. Rid-20 games overall and 12 straight at home. Philadelphia lost its third straight and is 1-3 since Fred Carter replaced Doug Moe as coach.

er, won't make it to the NIT. The Cavaliers, who had squan-dered all of a 13-point third-quar-ter lead in losing to Washington on Monday night, nearly did it again. Rider's college basketball career ended Tuesday when UNLV offisaid, a tutor admitted writing part of a paper that had helped him remain eligible to play at UNLV. A 21-0 run early in the third quarter helped put them ahead by as many as 29 points: The Sizers bench, however, brought them back, and Philadelphia got as close as six points in the closing minutes. Rockets 94, Magic 93; In Houston, a late 3-point shot by Robert Horry gave the Rockets their first lead since the game's opening basket, and Houston won a franchiserecord 14th straight game by beat-ing the struggling Orlando Magic, 94-93, at home.

home game and seventh straight Ewing, 24 for 32 in his last two games, hit two dunks and a jumper in a 1-minute span down the

stretch, giving the Knicks a 99-93 lead with 1:51 left after the Bucks cut an i 1-point deficit to one in the fourth quarter.

Hawks 122, Hornets 107: Domi-nique Wilkins scored 38 points, and visiting Atlanta dominated on the boards, 50-35, in its sixth straight victory. Kevin Willis had 20 points and 16 of 50 Atlanta property.

16 of 50 Atlanta rebounds. The Hawks outrebounded Charlotte, 26-12, on the offensive end.

**UNLV Star Rider** Suspended Over

The Associated Press

ance in the ring for the ritual to ward off evil spirits.

Each time, he has worn a ceremonial apron bearing his wrestling name, Akebono, and a hibiscus, Hawaii's state flower. His sword-bearer has worn an apron patterned after the American flag and his other attendant a rising sun.

Another high-ranked American, Salevaa Atisanoe, or Konishiki, has a football and belmet on his aproo.

Taliberg said it was still uncertain whether the IOC would include such a requirement in the Olympic charter or impose sanctions on athletes refusing to comply. (Reuters, AP)

Jon Koncak got trapped in a squeeze play by the Hornets' Kendall Gill, front, and Alonzo Mourning, but the Hawks, who had a 50-35 edge in rebounds, escaped with a 122-107 victory, their sixth straight.

The winning streak ties an earlier one by Phoenix as the longest in the NBA this season, and Houston is only the 19th team in league history to win at least 14 consecutive games. Houston's previous franchise record was 13 games in 1991. Knicks 102, Bucks 99: Patrick

Ewing kept a hot hand with 35 points on 14-for-20 shooting, and New York won its 12th consecutive dence course last summer.

"It was a difficult decision because I know the commitment J.R. Rider made to stay at this institution instead of turning pro last year," said UNLV's athletic director, Jim Weaver.

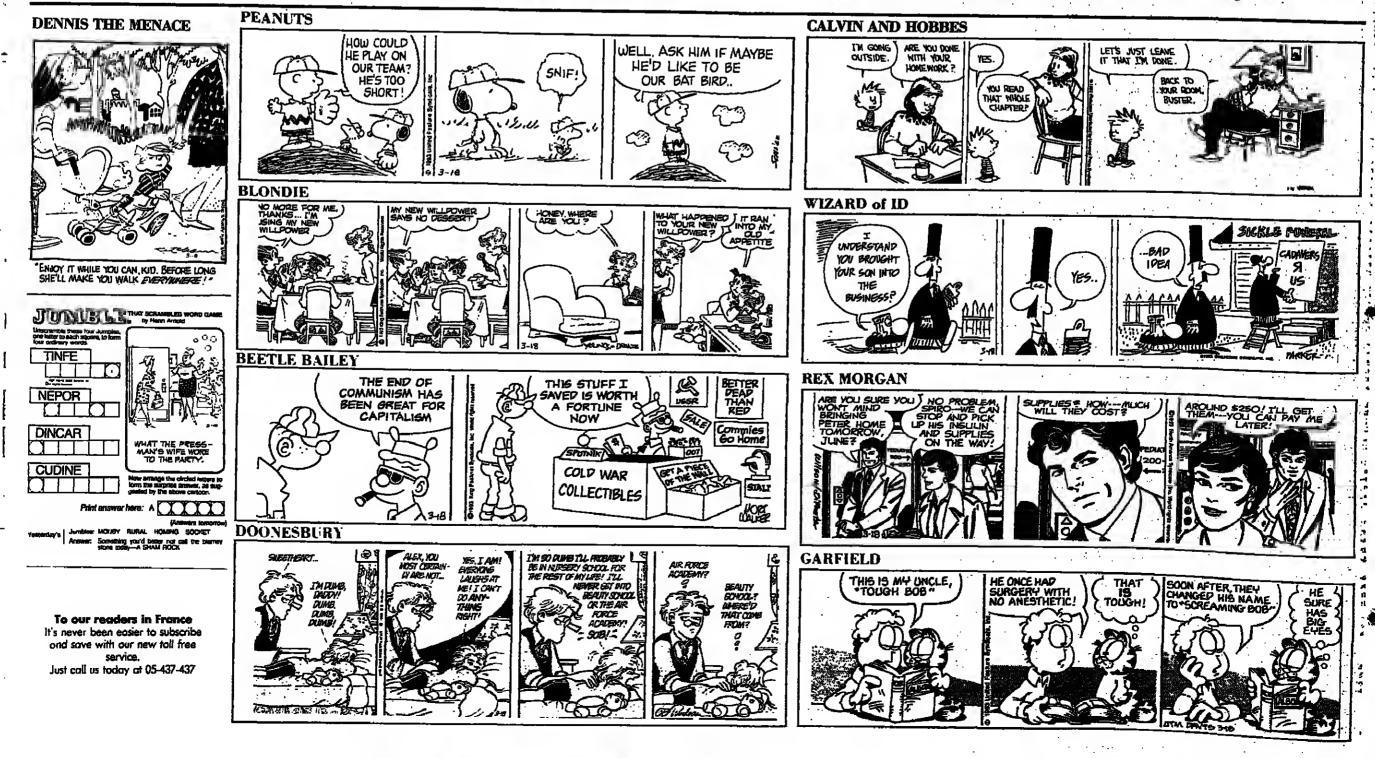
Rider, who averaged 29.2 points a game, was the core of a UNLV team that went 21-7 but lost out on an NCAA bid after dropping five out of its last 10 games.

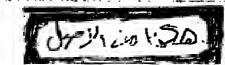
The suspension came after an second major league start: investigation confirmed newspaper reports that Rider had not done his own work in a English correspon-

which he fielded two singles. Playing the outfield is consid-White Sox, who must decide by March 25 whether to pick up the option on his contract for \$910,000 or give him a \$150,000 buyout.

The California Angels put pitcher Tim Fortugno on unconditional release waivers. He was a brief sensation last season when, at age 30, he pitched a three-hit shutout in his

Fortugno was cut one day after he was tagged for seven runs in the ninth inning of a 10-3 loss to the Chicago Cubs.





SPORTS SOCCER

# Speedy Ghana, **Brazil** Advance **To Youth Final**

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#### The Associated Press

SYDNEY - Ghana ripped apart England's sluggish defense Wednesday night, storning to a 2-1 victory in the semifinals of soccer's World

Youth Championship. Two-time champion Brazil scored twice in the final 12 minutes for a convincing 2-0 victory over Australia in the first semifinal, played in Melhourne

The Ghana-England match was marred by ugh scenes at the end as English fans attempted to get on to the field and grappled with police. Some threw objects from the stands and several fights broke out between fans and the stadium's security staff minutes after the match ended. Hundreds of England fans behind one goal refused to leave the stadium.

Striker Augustine Ahinful put Ghana, the Striker Augustine Annurul put Gnana, the African champion, alread with a 12th minute penalty shot and Mohammed Gargo made it 2-0 with a spectacular drive in the 23d minute. England responded with a 48th minute penalty kick by Jamie Pollock but was unable to conjure up an equalizer despite finishing strongly.

The Ghanaians, who won the world under-17 title with many of the same players two years ago, bambooziel England with their speed. "Congratulations to Ghana," said England's coach, David Burnside. "They showed us in the first half when a modern side they are." Abirth legrand the commencements of the set Ahinful carned the opening penalty when his dash into the penalty area forced defender lan

Pearce to bring him down. Ahinful took the penalty kick himself and

sent goalkeeper Dave Watson the wrong way. Nii Lamptey set up Gargo's goal, tapping a free kick sideways for the Torino defender to blast it low and hard into the net from 25 meters out.

Aninful proved a constant handful for the defense, while the Belgian-based Lamptey darted in and out of the action and led most of the Ghanaian attacks.

England played Julian Joachim as a lone striker and appeared to badly miss Nicky samply and Andy Myers — both of whom are injured - until Pollock's reply, It came just three minutes into the second

ball after fullback Emmanuel Asare was judged to have tripped Chris Bart-Williams, Pollock rammed the penalty into the top corner of the

Bart-Williams was unlucky in the 76th minute when his acrobatic bicycle kick cannoned off the crossbar.

Ghana's coach, Fred Osam Duodo, said "we expected" the English to rally.

There was no change of strategy in the second half." he said. "The boys got ured." Midfielder Marcelinho opened the scoring in the Brazil-Australia match in the 78th minute, collecting the ball after playing a give-and-go with Adriano and then slotting it past goalkeeper Vince Matassa.

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Brazil's Justrez leaped over Australia's Kevin Muscat to head the ball into the box.

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Right-winger Cate scored an insurance goal the Australian defense, but created many more in the 89th minute, running at the defense and then firing the ball home low and hard. scoring chances than their opponents.

The first half saw a midfield stalemate, with both teams reluctant to take risks. But Brazil dominated the match for long periods and Australia rarely was able to threaten the far goal. The Brazilians were quicker and slicker and ultimately finished better. They rarely were given room to maneuver by a sellout, officials said.

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**Milan and IFK Gothenburg Set Up Showdown in Champions' League** 

That kept Marseille stop the di-

CSKA, which ned Marseille two

shooting from about 15 meters.

**Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches** 

The Italian team's victory fol-

The 23-year-old Asprilla, well

Melli scored Parma's opener in

three losses.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches three times as Olympique Mar-A goal by midfielder Stefano seille, at home, won its Group A match of the Champions' League. to moved AC Milan a step Frat closer to the Champions' League soccer tournament final Wednesvision with a record of two victories day night, with a 1-0 victory over and two draws for six points. Glasgow Rangers also have six points, hut Marseille has a nine-goal dif-Porto in their second-leg Group B match of the semifinal round at ferential to Glasgow's plus-two. Marseille hosts Glasgow in two San Siro stadium in Milan. Its fourth victory in as many matches gave the Italian power-house eight points in the Group B

tandings, and kept it two ahead of FK Gothenburg. The Portuguese team, with its

third defeat in four matches, was virtually eliminated. It had lost to Milan by the same score the firstleg match in Oporto two weeks ago. Eranio scored in the 31st minute with a powerful shot from 12 meters, on an assist by teammate Marco Simone that exploited one of the few scoring chances conceded by the Portuguese team. Porto mounted only a few at-

tacks only after Milan's goal and Romanian midfielder Ion Timoite spoiled the visitors' best chance in the 40th minute, kicking the ball into the hands of goalkeeper Sebasnano Rossi. Milan, which had to play with-

out the injured Dutch trio of Marco Van Basten, Ruud Gullit and Frank Rijkaard, tried to control the ball after it scored. Ailing Dejan Savicevic of Montenegro played only in the last 15 minutes.

**To Cup Winners' Cup Semis** IFK Gothenburg 3, PSV Eindhoven 0: The Swedish outsiders won easily in Stockholm to set up a decisive clasb with favored AC Milan for a place in the final. Gothenburg, which posted a 3-1 vietory in the Netherlands two Faustino Asprilla stormed the tournaments, made it 2-0 in the 33d

Sparta Prague defense Wednesday, setting up one goal and scoring the weeks ago, increased its goal differ-ence advantage over Milan, which other, as Parma beat the visiting Czech leam, 2-0, and became the it will play next month. Gothenburg was given the per-fect start when midfielder Mikael first to gain the semilinals of the Cup Winners' Cup tournament.

Nilsson struck just two minutes lowed a goalless draw in the firstinto the match for his second goal leg match two wocks ago. against PSV in the series. The Swedes kept PSV in check throughout the test of the first half

supported by Swedish teammate Tomas Brolin and Melli, had an before speedy forward Johnny Ekoutstanding performance and intratened the Czech defense each strom - who scored twice against PSV in the Netherlands - produced a goal on the stroke of halftime. time he received the ball. Mikael Martinsson wrapped up the 10th minute, with a shot into an

The match was watched by a sellout crowd of the victory when, three minutes 22,100, while the Ghana-England match also sold out, with 21,069 attending. Saturday night's final in Sydney was already into the second half, his diving open net from one meter after the header found the back of the net. hall was lost by goalkeeper Petr Olympique Marselle 6, CSKA Moscow 0: Franck Sauzee scored Kouba following a powerful shot by Asprilla.

#### SIDELINES

Pro Bowler Holt Accepts Falcon Deal

goal while Marseille goalkeeper Fa-bien Barthez had been tested just Steven threaded a pass through to Sauzee struck again with a 25meter bullet in the 50th minute.

Jean-Marc Ferreri upped the count to 5-0 with a header from the corner in the 70th minute, and late in the match substitute Marcel Desailly chipped in a ball that had bounced off a Moscow defender. Rangers 2, FC Brages 1: A freak goal by fullback Scott Nisbett gained his 10-man team a victory in

weeks ago in Berlin, has a draw and Glasgow in the other Group A Sauzee started the scoring on a penalty shot in the fifth minute after Jocelyn Angloma was fouled. match.

Bruges' goalkeeper, Dany Verlinden, twice stopped Ally McCoist in the space of a few seconds early In the 34th minute, Sanzee scored again from the right side to finish off a collective piece of teamin the match before the Belgian work. Nearly every member of the team took the action the other way. Marseille team either touched the Gert Verbeyen, off a pass from ball or contributed to the action as Franky Van de Elst, had a good the ball went back-and-forth until Sauzee made it 2-0. opening but shot weakly at goal.

And then Verbeyen got another chance, following a slack play by defender Richard Gough, only to Abedi Pelé, the striker from Ghana, made it 3-0 with a brilliant individual effort in the 43d minute. bave Rangers goalkeeper Andy Goram push the ball round the He raced down the right side and Goram push the ball through two defenders before post with his fingertips. At halftime, Marseille had had the break, but it was Rangers who

**Parma and Antwerp Advance** 

minute with a perfect diagonal

good start, played 53 minutes with

only 10 players following the ex-pulsion of defender Miehal Hornak

Hornak, cautioned twice for

fouling Asprilla, was sent off by Dutch referee John Blankestein in

The referee also cautioned Par-

ma's defender Luigi Apolloni and

Sparta's Jiri Nemec for rough play.

After scoring two first-half goals and securing its advance to the semifinals, Parma controlled the

ball and the match without press-

chance in the 90th minute, on a free kick by Petr Vrabec. Parma's goal-

Sparta had its only scoring

ing too hard for a third goal.

slapped the ball past the post.

throughout the second half.

the 37th minute.

Sparta, which had been off to a

about 10 relatively clear shots on went ahead five minutes before

Flashy Colombian forward Italian League and the European

shot.

lan Durrant, who fired home a shot from 14 meters in the 40th minute.

Two minutes later, however Rangers lost English striker Mark Hateley, who was sent off by referee Ryszard Wojoik of Poland Ior pushing Rndy Cossey in the face in retaliation for a challenging play.

Hateley will have to sit out the next two Cup matches, against Olympique Marseille and CSKA Moscow

Facing 10 players, Bruges ued six minutes after the break when Stephan van der Heyden and Verheyen set up a shot for Staelens, who chipped the ball over Goram, McCoist had a header, off a Steven corner, cleared and then Nigerian Daniel Amokachi raced clear for the visitors, only to have his sbot deflected wide.

Twenty minutes from the end, though, Rangers regained its lead through when fullback Nisbett sent over a cross from the right. Goalkeeper Verlinden appeared to misjudge the flight of the ball as it was deflected over his head and into the (AP. Reuters) net

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Antwerp played an aggressive and physical match, receiving four yellow cards and one red to Steaua's one red and one yellow. Steama's lonel Fulga and Antwerp's Rudy Taeymans were sent off in the second half by Scottish referee Lealie William Mottram,

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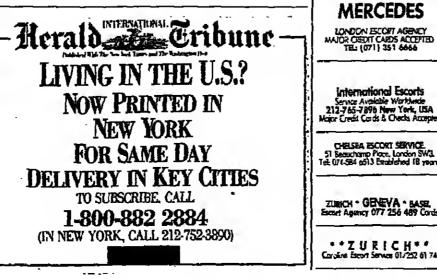
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SUWANEE, Georgia (AP) - Pro Bowl defensive and Pierce Holt of

the San Francisco 49ers signed an offer sheet Wednesday with the Atlanta Falcons that guarantees him \$7.5 million for three years. Because he was designated a transitional player by San Francisco. the 49ers have one week to match the offer in order to keep Holt.

· Charles Haley, the Dallas Cowboys' best pass rusher, signed a threeyear contract without putting his services up for bidding. Terms were not disclosed, but the package with incentives was expected to approach 56 million for the next three seasons.

Haley, 29, said he did so because the Cowboys' coach. Jimmy Johnson 'traded for me and believed in me. I owe the Cowboys some respect and that's why I didn't try the open market."

· Raghib (Rocket) Ismail, the Heisman Trophy winning wide receiver. has received permission from the CFL Toronto Argonauts to talk with the Los Angeles Raiders about playing in the NFL.

#### **Record Time Set in Iditarod Race**

NOME Alaska (AP) - Jeff King and his 11-dog team won the 1.160rule () Iditarod Trail Sted Dog Race in record time early Wednesday, turuing what had been a three-way sprint into a solo cruise.

The 37-year-old King crossed the finish line on Nome's historie Front

Street in an unofficial time of 10 days, 15 hours and 38 minutes. Dee Dee Jonrowe, another Alaskan, finished second, about 30 minutes later. King earned \$50,000 and a new pickup truck; Jonrowe, 38, got \$43,000.

#### For the Record

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South Africa will make its first cricket tour of Australia in 30 years for three Tests next January and February in Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide, the Australian Cricket Board said Wednesday. (AFP)

Davis Cup matches between India and Switzerland in Calcutta next week will go ahead despite Wednesday's bombing, the All-India Tennis (AFP) Association said.

Aris Salonika defeated Efes Pilsen Istanbul, 50-48, in the final of the European Cup baskethall tournament in Turin. (AP)

Spanish soccer referees called off a threatened strike of first and second division matches this weekend after a marathon meeting with officials of the Spanish Soccer Federation. (AP) Egypt will reptay its World Cup qualifier against Zimbabwe in Lyon on

April 15. not as reported in Wednesday's International Herald Tribune. Johnny Unitas, 60, the Hall of Fame quarterback, was released from the hospital Wednesday after undergoing coronary bypass surgery.

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The Associated Pres

terfinal match Wednesday night.

The Italian team, which had lost

by 1-2 the first-leg match in Lisbon, advanced on a 4-2 aggregate score.

Defender Jürgen Kohler scored

just 90 seconds into the match fol-

lowing a corner kiek by fellow Ger-

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"We played a perfect first half. Rotterdam. But if the match is not played within the text two days. Spartak would automatically forhappen," said Parma's coach, Nc-vio Scala, "We are now looking feit forward to the Cup final in Paris." Steaua Bucharest L, Royal Ant-

Soldiers managed to clear tons of ice and snow from the Luzhniki stadium field earlier in the week but a sudden thaw sent moisture beader eight minutes before the levels soaring and made the ground LOO SOL

The RIA news agency said Tuesput Royal Antwerp in the semifiday that stadium officials had The teams played a scoreless ne asked the defense ministry if they two weeks ago in Antwerp and Bel- could borrow two military belicopgium's oldest club reached the sem-finals of a European club competi-(AP, Real (AP. Reuters)

## Juventus in UEFA Semis

Baggio scored the second goal in injury time at the end of the first TURIN, Italy - Juventus ained a semifinal benth in the half, when the Portuguese defense failed to clear the ball from the area LIEFA Cup by defeating Portugal's near the net following another cor-Benfica, 3-0, in a second-leg quarner kick by midfielder Möller.

Forward Fabrizio Ravanelli made it 3-0 in the 67th minute, three minutes after replacing Möller, who had pulled a muscle.

Roberto Baggio, Juventus' most imaginative player, also departed in the second half following a hard tackle by a Portuguese defender.

The Portuguese protested be-Benfica dominated midfield play but its forwards did not cause macause Benfica goalkeeper Silvino lost the hall when he collided with jor threats to Juventus' goalie Angelo Peruzzi. Inventus midfielder Dino Baggio.

Silvino, whose nose was fractured. The inclusion of an added forwas taken off on a stretcher and ward, Rui Aguas, in the second half did not improve Benfica's offense.

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#### **ART BUCHWALD**

## **Blue Plate Special**

WASHINGTON - The most important problem Washington faces right now is whether members of the Clinton administration can accept seven-course dinners from the Washington press

corps. During the next month or so, the clite White House Correspondents

Association, the noble Radio and TV Correspondents Organization and the exalted Gridiron Club will entertain the officials that their members write and talk about every

day. Wbich big Buchwald shot a media organization snags for its table carries far more meaning to the news folks than any story they could dig up on that person. In fact, if a bureau chief is unable to produce an awe-inspiring guest list to impress his bosses, he or sbe could easity be looking for another iob.

The fly in all this ointment is that the Clinton White House has ruled that federal officials can no longer accept more than \$20 a year in food and drink from a private individual, or \$50 from an organization. While this may seem like a lot to the guy in Des Moines it still

doesn't cover the cost of a white bow tie in Washington. Apparently, this year the Clin-

tons have given a waiver to the press on how much they can spend on their turtle soup, but it will be for only one time, and that's why every newsperson in this town is running scared.

A group of us were sitting around the National Press Club bemoaning the restrictive regulations,

#### Savoy Will Reopen in July

The Associated Press LONDON - The Savoy Theatre in the Savoy Hotel will reopen in July, more than three years after it was damaged by fire. The Art Deco theater, once the home of Gilbert and Sullivan operettas, is to reopen with a weeklong engagement of the English National Ballet.

Martha Reese said, "How are we going to get any information out of our sources if we don't feed them?" Everett Case replied, "There is this fat guy who works over at State and he has been leaking to me like a sieve, but he says that it isn't worth it if there's only a Big Mac in it for

him "If you really want to know," Ted Osborne declared, "it's Hilla-ry. If she had her way we wouldo't be able to entertain any of the health nuts who work for Clinton. A reporter overheard a conversation between her and a press secretary. The secretary said. Madam, the Clinton people are starving. Hillary replied. Let them eat Ken-tucky Fried Chicken — the one that comes in the small bucket and only costs \$8.95.1

A member of the Gridiron was in despair: "I have written six songs and seven sketches for the Gridiron show. I just beard that the secretary of defense has canceled out of our table because the Wall Street Journal used him up in a Dunkin' Do-

nuts joint in Pentagon City." I said, "I think that I've solved the problem. There is a Pakistani restaurant on K Street where you get all you can eat for \$5.75. I have call in to Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen. I have a bunch that he might be interested in joining me there instead of going to the Gridiron because that way he wouldn't use up his entire allotment in one meal."

The big question that arose was, could Washington news people do their jobs if they were unable to

invite their sources to important affairs such as the major three media dinners? The consensus was that they couldn't. It was strictly a questioo

of feeding the hand that bites them. Max Ramirez de Arellano joined in the conversation and said. "Good fellowship is the source of good news, and if you don't break bread and laugh it up with those who are running the government. then you shouldn't be in the news

business at all. "The Clinton people are wrong when they put a \$20 limit on food and drink. It's O.K. for the few Clintoo types who don't care, but what about the rest who love nothing more than to eat, drink and be

# In Literature, the Widening Caribbean

#### By Mark Kurlansky

PARIS — This time the Caribbean hero who was cheered at the small island airport and led into the little capital town where a square was renamed after him had not bowled against England for the West Indies cricket team and had not recorded a single hit album. He was a poet who a year ago could walk around his native island and seldom be recognized by any of the 145,000 other Saint Lucians.

In winning the 1992 Nobel Prize, Derek Walcott has also earned Caribbean people something they long have wanted — inter-national recognition not only as athletes and musicians but also as a literary people.

For decades a wealth of novels, poetry and drama has come out of the region, only occasionally gaining the attention of the outside world. Suddenly. Caribbean writers are not only widely praised but also are becoming almost trendy in the literary world.

Walcott is representative of a different generation of Caribbean writer. Educated in the British colonial school system, Walcott writes "British" poetry on Caribbean

The new wave of Caribbean writers has a harsher vision and a tougher language. As emigration increasingly divides families and threatens the survival of Caribbean nations' distinct cultures, in both literature and politics a new sense of nationality is

The people of the Caribbean are becom ing a diaspora people, and Flatbush in Brooklyn, Brixton in South London and Paris's 19th arrondissement have become nized as a part of the wider Caribbean. In his Nobel lecture, Walcott called Ca-ribbean culture "the gathering of broken pieces.

Maryse Conde, a Guadeloupean educated in France and now teaching Caribbean literature in California, put the central di-lemma succinctly in her novel "Tree of Life": "You think they're going to stop studying medicine, studying law, studying pharmacy, to put blisters on their hands, swinging the culture?" one character asks. This is the conundrum facing today's

Caribbean islanders: Should they pursue their futures as foreigners or stubbornly remain in a land they love that does not offer them work? The new breed of Caribbean writers was

nurtured in the independence movement rather than colonial days and taught in an education system steeped in Caribbean nationalism. And often the writers have fused this with the language of cold northern cities Kelvin Christopher James was born,

reared and educated in Trinidad and gradu-

ated from the University of the West Indies, a school built during the independence movement. He left his position as a science teacher and moved to New York, where he did graduate work at Columbia while working as a laboratory technician at Harlem

In 1992 his first collection of short sto-ries, titled "Jumping Ship and Other Sto-ries," was published. He has the fast-flowing, rich narrative style of a West Indian storyteller. The opening group of stories, much like traditional Caribbean writing, reminisces about childhood in Trinidad. In the second part, things get rougher in stories about illegal immigration. The third part focuses on a new Caribbean world of drugs, gangs, rapes, shootings and prisons in ur-ban America. The author's powerful and imaginative use of the lyrical slang of the West Indies hardens during the course of the book to a tough and hip New York-

Caribbean dialect, Caryl Phillips was brought to England from Saint Kitts in 1958 at the age of 12 weeks and in his early youth did not even know which island was his birthplace. In two novels and a nonfiction book called "The European Tribe," he has tried to

define his peculiar situation as both a defined one way by passport and another by skin color. Published in Britain and the United

States in 1992, his third novel, "Cambridge," is written in the form of the travel journals to the West Indies that were regu-larly published in the 19th century. The novel retells the same incident on an early 19th-century sugar plantation through three journals — that of the daughter of the owner who is visiting from England, an extraordinary slave with a luckless story to which no one ever listens and a local report.

The new fiction has moved far from the traditional autobiographical coming-ofage novels that have long typified Caribbean biterature. There seems to be a harder edge to the new novels. Cecil Foster's first novel, "No Man in

the House," is autobiographical but with an astute political edge to it. Foster, a narive of Barbados who is now a journalist in Toronto, describes growing up on a tiny island in a rural community. When Foster was a child, mucb like the lead character in his novel, his pareots left him to go to England where they could earn a living. He was raised by his grandmother. His book is a tribute to the strength of Caribbean women who, without men, have held the society together. But the novel has another dimension. It takes place in 1964 at the moment of Barbadian independence, which is treated as a crystallizing instant when both idealism and cynicism rushed in to form the new nation.

In Foster's Barbados, poor people, given a voice for the first time, are learning to keep their beliefs to themselves and cheer for the man who promises a job. The narrator is a 10-year-old boy who learns that he has a nation now and that his future, unlike his parents, is not in immigration. The irony stands that the author is writing this oovel from Canada.

slum named Texaco after the abandoned oil facility on which it was built. When "Tex-aco" won the 1992 Prix Goncourt. France's prestigious literary prize, the French press was ready with a picture of the happy author frolicking in surf. Westerners tend to see Caribbean people

this way, but it is far from the reality of writers like Chamoisean. With a and, our temporary language he takes an ironic view of Fort-de-France's poor faced with an im-different bureaucracy that eases its con-science by leveling unsightly slums and forcing the residents into inhuman housing

of Conde's "Tree of Life" was published. The novel was a French best-seller when it came out in Paris in 1988. The novel is the story of a Guadeloupean family in a Ca-ribbean world that extends from the French island to Panama, San Francisco, New York, Paris, London and Jamaica. "Tree of Life" is about the struggles of being part of a Caribbean society - the

struggle of color, place, history, self-esteem. Almost a century of family tree leads to the narrator, a woman of mixed color, mixed identity, as much French as Caribbean. She is contemptuous of the folksy island characters who were the charm of earlier Caribbean fiction. But she also knows that Guadeloupe is an endangered entity and that the emerging cultural resis-tance, the fight to preserve Guadeloupe's own language, music and tradition is also the search for herself.

Mark Kurlansky is the author of "A Continent of Islands: Searching for the Caribbe-an Destiny," published in 1992.

sitting "buck naked on a zebra in Africa" is kissing his bachelothood good-bye. He and the model Nicole Minchell, who have had two children together, are heading for a wedding this week at a posh New York hotel. Laciano Pavarotti has canceled out of his performance of "Pag-hacci" at La Scala in Milan because

of pains in his right knee that his entourage says may require sur-gery. The tenor was scheduled op sing on April I.

PEOPLE

Dewi Sukarno Files Suit

Dewi Sakarno, former first lady of Indonesia, is suing the New York lawyer she hired to defend her inta 1992 face-slashing incident. She sore his fee — \$900,000 — was too him

Maybe because she ended up spend-

ing 34 days in a Colorado county iail

after a plea bargain? The suit, filed against Barry Slotnick, says he did

not charge "reasonable and custom-ary legal fees." Sukarno was accused of slashing the face of the socialine

Victoria Osmena at a dinner party in

Aspen. If the case had gone to trial

and Sukarno had been convicted.

she could have faced a jail sentence

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Eckart Witzigmann, the Austri-an-born chef whose Manich restau-

rant has been awarded three stars

in the Michelin Guide, receiped a suspended two-year jail

suspended two-year jail term Wednesday for cocaine use. Wit-zigmann, who runs the Aubergine in Munich, was found guilty of having bought a total of 220 grans (7 ounces) of the drug on two occa-sions in 1990 and 1992.

been discharged from a hospital

after four days of treatment for an

As a brash young comedian rising to stardom in the 1980s, Edite Man-

by gained notoriety for his raw humor and playboy exploits. No-it age 31, the Hollywood bad bas who declared in a 1987 concert film.

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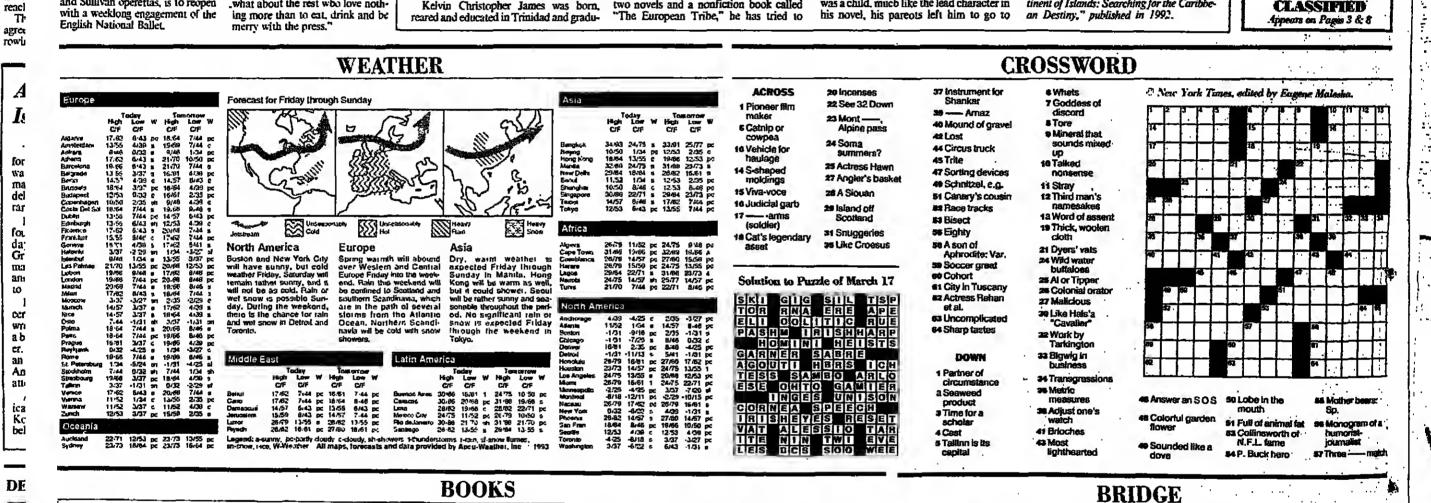
The actor James Stewart, 84, has

of five to 16 years.

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France's image of picturesque powerty in Martinique, popularized in Joseph Zobel's nostalgic "La Rue Cases-Negres" ("Sugar Cane Alley"), was updated by Patrick Cha-moiseau's new novel about a Martinique

writers like Chamoiseau. With acidic, con-

projects. Chamoiseau calls it the "destruc-tive angel of the modernist town hall." Also in 1992, an American translation

ASSEMBLING CALIFOR-NIA By John McPhee. 304 pages.

\$21. Farrar Straus Giroux. Reviewed by T. H. Watkins

S O you thought your feet stood on solid ground, did you? Well, forget it. This cooling cinder we call planet Earth has as many shifting. interchangeable parts as a Rubik's Cube. So says John McPhee, the man who, beginning with "Basin and Range" (1980) and continuing "In Suspect Terrain through (1982) and "Rising From the Plains" (1986), has been dissecting the Earth. Each was an exploration of the theories, evidences and effects of plate tectonics - a new and newly important science that bolds that the surface of the earth is made up of crustal plates that are in con-

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stant motion ("lithospheric driftwood," McPhee calls them). The continents are those portions of the plates that appear on the surface, our passenger seats, if you will, on the great tectonic journey. Now, in "Assembling Califor-nia," McPhee concludes his four-

volume literary pilgrimage, the whole package dubbed "Annals of the Former World." Throughout pression of plate tectonics. the series McPhee's guides have been professional geologists, peo-ple in love with roadcuts, where highway engineers, like Godzillasized forensic pathologists, have sliced through portions of the continental skin and exposed all the secret subcutaneous geology that

The geologist featured most time, a New Zealand, a Madagas-prominently in "Assembling Cali-fornia" is Eldridge Moores of the continent and have thus far ad-University of California at Davis, bered." As McPhee and Moores derfully written summary of the

lies there.

one of the world's leading tectonicists and, like many of the goologists trips to Arizona, Greece and Cywith whom McPhee has consorted, a person of large mind and uncommon talents in directions other than verse and knotted and surprising geology - in Morres's case, music He makes an imaginative and articgeologically as it is politically and ulate guide as McPhee takes a look sociologically. at California as the definitive ex-

about combining human and non-It is definitive, he makes clear, human elements in his text. A dis-cussion of the odd "pull-apart ba-sins" north of San Francisco, for because the state is not an original

part of the continent at all (as Easterners have suspected all along). example, where plate movement but rather the direct product of literally stretched and thinned the tectonic movement, a jumble of local crust and allowed calescent magma to bubble up near the surstuff that has drifted up against, face, providing hot springs and all sorts of volcanic possibilities, gives jammed into, and stuck to the west coast: "An island arc here, a piece him the opportunity to discourse of continent there - a Japan at a

with arch bumor on the wines and wine industry of the Napa and Sonoma Valleys. A concise and won-

reveal it to us - with brief side California Gold Rush, on the other hand, allows him to segue into a description of the Smartville Block. prus to gather related global evidence - it is a most wondrous the great chunk of former ocean crust that slammed into the Sierra assemblage, this California, as di-Nevada batholith and produced most of the gold-filled cracks and rannies that came to be called the

Mother Lode. And McPhee is not bashful

The writing in "Assembling California," as in the rest of the tetralogy, is not always quite so straightforward. McPbee's journey through the earth's dynamics has been complex, unpredictable, discursive and sometimes idiosyncratic to the point of eccentricity. But it has been a hell of a ride, and I, for one, am sorry to see it end,

> T. H. Watkins, the editor of Wilmess magazine, wrote this for The Washington Post.

By Alan Truscott ERY few players ever had the pleasure of playing one event

and emerging with two titles. It happened last January at the Tri-State Regional Championship in Port Chester, New York, when James Gleick of Brooklyn and Judy Goulding of Manhattan entered for the Stratfield Pairs Flight C and won not only the title but the Flight my played low. Gleick won the king and took B, normally the preserve of more five beart winners and three club experienced players.

The even more unusual feat of South now threw the diamond winning three titles was achieved at queen on the club ace, and West the end of the tournament by Peter could not guard both spades and MacCuaig of Danbury, Connectidiamonds. cut, and John Rose of Garrison, Gleick made all 13 tricks, one New York. They won Stratified-Pairs Flights A, B and C. more than most of his rivals, and

Gleick is the author of a recent points. hiography: "Genius: The Life and He would have had to be content Science of Richard Freyman," pub-with 12 tricks, however, if East had lished by Pantheon. In another been inspired to play low on the

event he literally squeezed ont 13 first trick, preserving the jack to tricks on the diagramed deal. Six control dummy's ten in the and-no-trump would have been a good game.

contract, but few pairs were able to advance beyond three no-trump. The diamond four was lead against that contract and East made a subtle error, as it turned out, by playing the jack when dum-

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